
Vehicle Regulations When Crossing All RSA Borders:

The South African Police Service (SAPS) has implemented new motor vehicle regulations that came into effect on 1 December 2015 that requires all drivers with South African registered vehicles and other neighbouring countries to carry certified documents proving ownership of the vehicle. The driver of the vehicle needs to be in possession of the following documentation:

- Where the vehicle is owned by the driver, the driver must present a certified copy of vehicle registration / vehicle licence documents at the border posts. The new regulations require the vehicle registration documents to be signed by a commissioner of oaths.
- Where the vehicle is not owned by the driver and is still being financed by the bank, the driver will require an authorisation letter from the financial institution/bank authorising the driver to take the vehicle out of the country, this letter must indicate the country and dates of travels. The new regulations require the authorisation letter to be signed by a commissioner of oaths.
- Where the vehicle is not owned by the driver but by a company or another person, the driver will require an affidavit from SAPS giving authorisation from the financial institution/owner to take the vehicle across the border posts.
- Where the vehicle is not owned by the driver but by a vehicle rental company, the driver must obtain a border letter from the vehicle rental company authorising the driver to take the vehicle out of the country. This letter should indicate the country and dates of travels.
- Proof of vehicle and 3rd party insurance should be included in your documentation.

The Mpumalanga South African Police Service has confirmed that the new measures will be strictly enforced to curb criminal activity between the neighbouring countries.

Certification of Documents:

- You can have copies of original documents certified at any police station, at any time free of charge.
- You must provide the original documents when requesting to have copies certified. Copies will not be certified if the original documents are not produced for verification.
 - Alternatively, you can have copies certified at the following places:
- Lawyers or notary public (who are members of a recognised professional body)
- Actuaries or accountants (who are members of a recognised professional body)
- Members of the judiciary
- Directors, managers or company secretaries of a bank or regulated financial services business
- The South African Post Office. To assist you with finding your closest SA Post Office branch.

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