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# Take the accelerated initial qualification examination for professional drivers

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Freigabestatus Katalog	fachlich freigegeben (gold)
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	fachlich freigegeben (silber)
Begriffe im Kontext	Professional drivers' examination, Professional drivers' qualification, Professional Drivers' Qualification Act (Berufskraftfahrerqualifikationsgesetz), BKrFQV, Truck drivers, BKrFQG, Bus drivers, Professional Drivers' Qualification Regulations, Accelerated initial qualification, Passenger transport, Road freight transport, Own-account transport

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Leistungstyp	Leistungsobjekt mit Verrichtung
Leistungsgruppierung	Güterverkehr (055)
Verrichtungskennung	Durchführung (058)
SDG-Informationsbereich	Erlangung von Lizenzen, Genehmigungen oder Zulassungen im Hinblick auf die Gründung und Führung eines Unternehmens
Lagen Portalverbund	Aus-, Weiterbildung und Sachkunde (2030300), Prüfung und Nachweise für Sachkunde und Sicherheit (2120300), Fahrerlaubnis und Sachkenntnisse (2110100)
Einheitlicher Ansprechpartner	Nein
Fachlich freigegeben am	09.12.2020
Fachlich freigegeben durch	Deutscher Industrie- und Handelskammertag
Handlungsgrundlage	<a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bkrfqg_2020/_2.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bkrfqg_2020/_2.html</a> <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bkrfqv_2020/_2.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bkrfqv_2020/_2.html</a> <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bkrfqg_2020/_2.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bkrfqg_2020/_2.html</a> <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bkrfqv_2020/_2.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bkrfqv_2020/_2.html</a>
Teaser	Drivers working in commercial road freight transport or passenger transport must demonstrate special qualification in addition to their driving licence.
Volltext	<p>If you wish to provide professional road transport services for freight or passengers, you must provide proof of 'initial qualification' for professional drivers in addition to your driving licence.</p> <p>This applies to drivers of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of more than 3.5 tonnes in road freight and own-account transport, or to drivers of vehicles with more than eight passenger seats in passenger transport, where operation of the vehicle/combination of vehicles in question requires a driving licence of</p>

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categories C or D.

There is a distinction between simple and accelerated initial qualification.

You will acquire accelerated initial qualification by attending a training course at a recognised training centre and successfully taking a theoretical examination at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (, IHK). Participation in instruction is mandatory here. The theoretical examination, in turn, offers simplification for holders of certificates of field expertise in accordance with the Regulations on Access to Occupations in the Road Haulage Sector.

If you obtained your driving licence prior to 10 September 2008 (bus) or 10 September 2009 (lorry), you do not have to demonstrate initial qualification ('vested rights').

You do not need to present a driving licence for the accelerated initial qualification.

The type of examination administered varies depending on the requirements that apply:

1. Regular examination: 'Accelerated initial qualification'

You must take the regular examination if you are unable to provide proof of an examination of expertise in road freight transport or passenger transport ('transport manager examination') for the relevant type of transport, or if you have not taken an examination for the (accelerated) initial qualification for the other type of transport.

1. Examination for drivers changing vehicle types: 'Accelerated initial qualification'

You can take the examination for drivers changing vehicle types if you have successfully passed the examination for the respective other vehicle type.. Accordingly, in the training course offering accelerated initial qualification of drivers changing vehicle types,

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only the specific characteristics of the type of transport are addressed. The future bus driver, for example, will be taught how to behave with regard to passengers, as this was not part of his first initial qualification in road freight transport.

This also applies to drivers who have obtained the driving licence for the other type of transport prior to the relevant reference date (vested rights).

1. Examination for career changers: 'Accelerated initial qualification'

You can take the examination for career changers if you have valid demonstration of an examination of expertise for the type of transport for which the examination is to be taken.

As the examination of expertise does not test for all of the knowledge a driver must have, as the holder of a certificate of expertise, you must also acquire the initial qualification.

## Erforderliche Unterlagen

Certificate of participation in an appropriate training course

## Voraussetzungen

- For the 'accelerated initial qualification' examination, you must have previously attended an appropriate training course
- The prescribed scope varies depending on the type of examination:
  - Regular examination – 140 units of instruction of 60 minutes each, thereof ten hours operating a motor vehicle of the respective class
  - Drivers changing vehicle types – 35 units of instruction of 60 minutes each, thereof 2.5 hours operating a motor vehicle of the respective class
  - Career changers – 96 units of instruction of 60 minutes each, thereof ten hours operating a motor vehicle of the respective class

## Kosten

The examination fee is based on the applicable schedule of fees of the local Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

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Verfahrensablauf	<p>For the accelerated initial qualification, examination, you must attend a training course and then register to take the examination with the local Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The certificate of participation issued by the training centre is a prerequisite if you wish to register for the written examination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Chamber of Commerce and Industry will confirm your registration for the examination.</li> <li>• You take the theoretical examination.</li> </ul> <p>After passing the examination, you will receive a certificate from the Chamber of Commerce and Industry for presentation to the driving licence office.</p>
Bearbeitungsdauer	As a rule, you will be informed about whether you have passed the examination or not about 2 weeks after you have taken it.
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weiterführende Informationen	<p>The entire set of questions for use in preparing for the examination for the accelerated professional drivers' qualification is published on the DIHK website:</p> <p>Fragenfundus Berufskraftfahrer Güterverkehr (German only) (for professional drivers in road freight transport)</p> <p>Fragenfundus Berufskraftfahrer Personenverkehr (German only) (for professional drivers in passenger transport)</p>
Hinweise	<p>Trips for specific purposes, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• police vehicles, fire brigade, emergency rescue by recognised rescue services offering carriage within the scope of their responsibilities</li> <li>• carriage by motor vehicles the maximum permitted speed of which does not exceed 45 km/h</li> </ul> <p>are exempt from this obligation.</p> <p>The procedure can only be carried out in German.</p>
Rechtsbehelf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In some of the German federal states: appeal</li> </ul>

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- Administrative court proceedings

More detailed information is contained in the notification informing you of whether you have passed or failed the examination

**Kurztext**

- The professional transport of passengers and freight requires demonstration of 'initial qualification' (initial qualification / accelerated initial qualification)
- This requires an examination: accelerated initial qualification for passenger transport (bus) and freight transport (lorry) with the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IHK) Previous participation in a training course
- Simplification of examination for drivers changing vehicle types (e.g. from bus to lorry)
- Simplification of examination for career changers who have already passed an aptitude examination for business operators
- No qualification required for certain purposes, e.g. emergency vehicles, or carriage by motor vehicles the maximum permitted speed of which does not exceed 45 km/h

**Ansprechpunkt**
**Zuständige Stelle**

You can find the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IHK) responsible for you here: Local IHK finder (German only)

**Formulare**

- Forms: Registration for the examination
- Online procedure: Available in some cases
- Written form requirement as per German Civil Code Art.126: Yes
- Appearance in person required: Yes, for the examination

**Ursprungsportal**

Prüfung beschleunigte Grundqualifikation für Berufskraftfahrer ablegen, Take the accelerated initial qualification examination for professional drivers