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# **OUTSTANDING EVENTS IN 2006**

# January

The administrative litigation against AS Number concerning a public procurement related to the production of registration plates was ended. Since AS Number's appeal in cassation was not accepted by the Supreme Court ruling of 11 January 2006, a circuit court judgment in favour of the ARK entered into force by rendering the Supreme Court ruling.

# February

The registration of vehicles produced for the markets in third countries was simplified. The Regulation that entered into force on 10 February repealed the definition of a family of vehicle type. By repealing all that relates to this definition, the registration of vehicles will be simplified, as from now on the ARK will be able to grant individual vehicle approvals for all vehicles.

## March

We enforced supervision of traffic schools. As a result of the supervision, one traffic school's education licence was repealed by order of the Minister of Education and Research because the school did not comply with the volume of the subjects established by national curricula and the requirements for the assessment of education results. There were no required national curricula in the traffic school and the topics entered on the student form did not comply with the curricula.

# April

On 1 April, the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre became 15 years old.

On 9 April, "Rules for the registration of personal watercraft" entered into force.

# May

In May, in Estonia 10,500 vehicles were newly registered, 4,549 of which were new ones. This broke a record set a month earlier, 8,918 vehicles. A new top number of passenger cars was also registered – 7,685 (in April 6,447), 2,817 of which (in April 2,104) were new ones. The registration of motorcycles also continued to increase. In May, 451 motorcycles were registered, 174 of which were new ones.

Since 1 May, the practical driving tests for vehicles in categories B, R and T have been started to be taken in Jõgeva.

# June

In relation to Child Protection Day, in June, the first 50 holders of a moped licence also received, in addition to a driving licence, a moped helmet. After successfully passing the theory and practical driving tests, the novice drivers received a moped licence and, in the presentation of this licence, a helmet of an appropriate size from the Velt Motocenter.

# July

On 19 July, a structural change of the motor vehicle registration centre was approved. From among the chief specialists in the departments belonging to the bureaus, one person was selected from each department to be a manager. In addition, an integrated Harju County Bureau was established to which the Tallinn, Saue, Rapla and Maardu Departments belong. The Rakvere Bureau was incorporated into the Paide Bureau and called the Paide Bureau Rakvere Department.

# August

Since August, the ARK has delighted its customers with the new design of its website. At the same time, this new appearance adds customer-friendliness to the website.

On 25 August, "Rules for recreational craft and boats of less than 12 metres in total length" entered into force.

# September

From September to the end of December, representatives from the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre visited many Estonian basic and secondary schools and upper secondary schools with the aim of debating the traffic culture, driving licences, examination procedure and other topics related to the fields of activities of the ARK. During those months, the total number of schools the ARK visited was over 50.

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# Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre

The main activity of the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre (ARK) is characterised by the implementation of a single national policy in respect of motor vehicles and their drivers. For this purpose, the ARK keeps an up-to-date register and, on the basis of the possibilities arising from this register and their development, provides customer-friendly, proficient, fast and innovative service.

The main functions of the ARK include the implementation of an integrated national policy in the field of technical requirements for cars, buses and their trailers, motorcycles, motor scooters, tractors, non-road vehicles and their trailers, and snowmobiles used in Estonia, and in the field of training drivers of motor vehicles, keeping a national register of motor vehicles and motor vehicle driving licences. Since 1 July 2005, the traffic register has also consolidated data concerning recreational craft, vessels with an overall length of less than 12 m, and personal watercraft, and the ARK issues certificates for skippers of recreational craft and operators of personal watercraft.

In its activity, the ARK is guided by the laws of the Republic of Estonia, international agreements and conventions that the Republic of Estonia has acceded to, respective EU legislation, regulations and orders of the Government of the Republic, regulations and orders of the Minister of Economic Affairs and Communications, and the ARK Statutes.

# People of Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre

The ARK is an organisation aware that its success depends on the professionalism and awareness of its staff in attainment of goals set. In our activity, we value honesty, openness, innovativeness and customer-friendliness. Therefore, we focus especially on the formation of the organisation's internal climate and common value judgments to provide staff with confidence about the future. We emphasise the team feeling that we create using the personalised form of Estonian in everyday communication and organising joint events for our employees. Employees of the ARK are aware of goals, are client and cooperation-oriented, ready for service and helpful, flexible and open to changes.

# Customers of Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre

Over a half of the adult Estonian population are customers of the ARK: over 700,000 motor vehicles and data about owners of vehicles have been entered in the traffic register, and more than 550,000 people have a driving licence. In cooperation with the Police Board, Tax and Customs Board, and European Car and Driving Licence Information System (EUCARIS), the ARK is constantly developing digital exchange of data between authorities. Thanks to information technology, it is possible to extend the circle of service consumers, to provide more convenient customer service and to create additional opportunities for customers.



# Vision of Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre

To be a reliable, customer-oriented, innovative and internationally recognised register focusing on the formation of traffic safety and environmentally sustainable attitudes.

# Structure and staff of Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre

The management of the ARK consists of 4 members. There are 34 middle managers, 88 chief specialists, 12 experts, 135 specialists and 11 auxiliary workers in the ARK.

Year by year, labour turnover has decreased:

2006 - 16.2%,

2005 - 16.3%,

2004 - 16.7%.

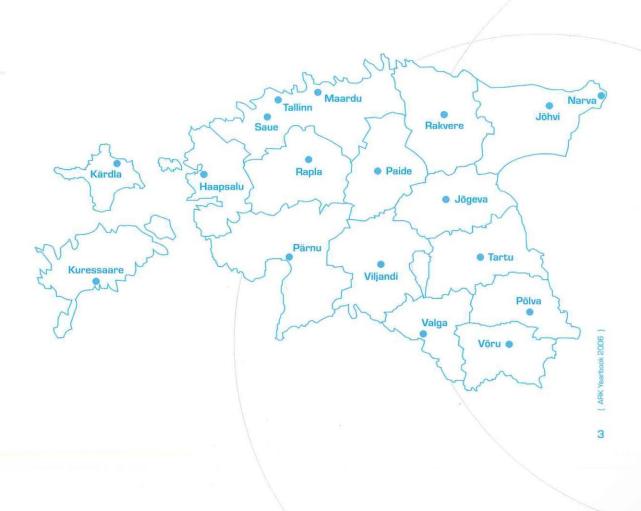
Of 284 employees, 100 have worked in the ARK for 10-15 years.

By 31.12.2006, there were 284 employees in the ARK - 147 of them were women and 137 men. The average age of employees is 44 years and 10 months, and the youngest employee is 21 and the oldest 75.

By age categories, women in the age of 50 years (9) and men in the age of 49 years (8) form the largest category. In the ARK, there are 90 employees with higher education, 187 with secondary or secondary specialised education and 7 with basic education.











# Dear customers, partners and employees,

The Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre's main focus for 2006 is, in particular, the human being. People on both sides of the desk are important to us; all that relates to the customers', partners' and our own employees' satisfaction is significant. During the year, several projects were initiated and also successfully completed; the purpose of these projects was to bring a feeling of satisfaction to the hearts of all the people related to us.

It is always a pleasure stating that the previous year was a successful one. Again, we can use words like "new," "improved," "innovative," "record," etc., to characterise the year.

During 2006, we collected a record 322,151,086 kroons of state fee income for the State Treasury, performed 585,102 transactions and registered the same number of vehicles as the whole of 2005 in just 10 months. A record number of tests were taken in recent years: 43,519 theory tests and 45,089 practical driving tests. Last year, we also issued a record number of provisional driving licenses: 26,867. These figures show, inter alia, how much our employees' contribution to the work has increased.

But every new top achievement also establishes many requirements for our employees, customers and partners – in sum, for all of society. The more vehicles move on Estonian roads, the better the traffic culture and the condition of roads must be. The more applicants for provisional driving licenses there are, the more superior the education provided by traffic schools must be. The more customers visit our bureaus, the less time is left for us to service each customer, meaning that we must work with double efficiency.

For this purpose, we studied the level of customer service in ARK bureaus and departments. The study was based on the method of test customers. At this point, I'd like to recognise the servants in Pärnu, Jōgeva and Valga who received the majority of the positive feedback.

Last year was also to some extent a year of preparations resulting in which, in 2007, our customers could already use the provided services at a new level. On the following pages we will introduce, for example, a new examination order, numerous innovations of information technology, and many more interesting things. Video cameras have been installed in every examination room and, for the present, the examination vehicles have also been equipped with data recording devices.

In 2005 the foundation was laid for the construction of a new office for the Harju Bureau Saue Department. At the beginning of 2006, the cooperation contract was signed, the design project was prepared and the construction workers were already seen on the construction site in the second half of the year. Modern service premises and qualified customer service are extremely important to us because, regardless of the fact that in the future some ARK services will be "moving" to the Internet, eye-to-eye contact with the customer is also significant to us.

In spring, we got confirmation that the level of ARK quality management continuously complied with the quality management standard ISO 9000:2001.

Yet for a long time, we have been involved in projects that would considerably facilitate communication with our customers and partners. Our far-reaching goal is one day to make almost all of the ARK's activities paper-free – communication between customers, partners and employees would further on take place via electronic channels.

Although we develop services that would save our customers' time and footwork and would be convenient to use, we are always glad to see people in our offices. The "Paper-free ARK" project will make our customers' and partners' lives more comfortable and is, at the same time, the Motor Vehicle Registration Centre's contribution to the promotion of environmental sustainability.

In addition to environmental sustainability, last year the ARK started to pay more attention than usual to improving road safety. As the first target group, we began to deal with school-age children – we organised the helmet campaign for students, visited schools, etc.

During the last few years, the picture of Estonian traffic has significantly changed: in summertime, we see more and more ATVs, motorcycles and young moped drivers moving on the streets. The number of passenger cars has distinctly increased. Therefore, there are people of very different ages among our customers. For example, last year we issued a record 449 moped licences that 14-year old youth can apply for. At the same time, in 2006 a man aged 94 and a woman aged 84 were the oldest persons who renewed their driving licences – but it is true that whether they independently participate in traffic as well is unknown to us.

Thinking of our employees, partners and customers, last year the ARK initiated a number of new profitable projects about which you can read more on the following pages.

Looking forward to pleasant meetings!

Janus Isanyo

Tamur Tsäkko Director

# ARK budget ((in thousands kroons))

Total

75,722.3

76,625.0

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Staff expenses	33,136.0	34,035.3	37,884.4	41,889.4	43,711.5	50,082.7
Economic and production expenses	33,496.3	34,044.6	37,233.8	38,345.0	35,270.1	35,637.3
Investments	9,090.0	8,425.3	8,558.7	22,050.8	4,834.0	5,200.0
Allocations, estate tax	0.0	119.8	175.9	189.5	254.5	187.1
Capital Rent						10,000.0

83,852.8

102,474.7

84,070.1





# New examination vehicles - Volkswagen Golf

As from 15 January 2007, the ARK put into service 39 Volkswagen Golf vehicles equipped with data recording devices. 19 of them are small-medium class VW Golf 1.6 FSI Trendlines with positive ignition engines, 19 small-medium class VW Golf 1.9 FSI Trendlines with diesel engines, and one small-medium class VW Golf 1.6 FSI Trendline with a positive ignition engine and automatic transmission. The period of operating lease of the vehicles is 36 months.

To find the vehicles, we organised a public procurement on a complete solution for examination vehicles for leasing companies. The complete solution involves vehicle leasing, data collection devices, maintenance of vehicles and equipment, warranty and ability to react in crisis situations, insurance, tyres, etc. Certain quality criteria for car models were established by the procurement. We took the decision in favour of the service provider with best price/quality ratio, which was the Volkswagen Golf.

New examination vehicles are divided between bureaus as follows: Tallinn Bureau - 11 vehicles; Tartu Bureau - 6 vehicles; Saue and Pärnu Bureaus - 3 vehicles; Jõhvi, Narva, Paide, Rakvere, Võru and Viljandi Bureaus - 2 vehicles for each; Rapla, Haapsalu, Kuressaare and Põlva Bureaus - 1 vehicle for each. The Kärdla, Jõgeva and Valga Bureaus use the vehicles of the closest bureaus.

Henceforth, traffic schools can direct their vehicles released to driver training because they do not have to book their training vehicles for ARK examinations. Taking into account the present great volume of driver training, a training provider can provide more training hours because of the training vehicles released from examinations. Thus, the ARK assumes that this will improve the training quality and long queues for traffic school training hours will disappear.

The new Volkswagen Golf examination vehicles are equipped with miscellaneous data recording devices collecting information throughout the practical driving test. The driving test report used by examiners shall be replaced by an electronic test report, and furthermore, there is GPS equipment within the vehicle tracking the location and speed of the vehicle, and, at the same time, the course of the driving test is recorded in video mode.



For a long time, the ARK has been in need of a new and contemporary bureau in Saue. The new building is required as the number of customers in this area remains high and the number of operations has increased in recent years. The existing bureau space located in the former police building is outdated and narrow, and does not meet customers' expectations.

Consequently, in 2005, we started to look for a partner who would find us a plot of appropriate size and location. In January 2006, we signed an immovable lease contract with OÜ Kaanoni Majad.

In the first months of 2006, we developed and coordinated jointly an appropriate design project and, in the beginning of summer, the construction works were started.

In respect of 2007, we can only hope that the building will be completed by the agreed deadline in March and we will be able to provide services in the best way for our customers in the new bureau providing good working conditions.

# Contemporary electronic inventory system

For the implementation of its statutory duties, the ARK as a larger than average state authority uses a considerable amount of various tangible state properties





New ARK examination vehicle Volkswagen Golf

- ranging from registered immovables to customer chairs. As is known, a strict record should be maintained of tangible state property. Considering the location of our bureaus across Estonia, the maintenance of records and inventory has become a stressful and more complicated task for us.

Therefore, in the beginning of 2006, on the initiative of the Administration and IT Departments, a certain decision was made – we must transfer to a modern electronic inventory system.

An appropriate software platform was selected by summer and comprehensive preliminary work for the transfer to a new system was left for the autumn months – the assets on the account of the ARK and all bureaus were audited and provided with stickers.

After the completion of the tremendous preliminary work, the inventory at the end of November was significantly faster and more convenient than ever. As from now, as an additional value, the inventory could be done only by the Administration and IT Departments, releasing other ARK employees from troublesome and unfamiliar extra work.

# New mailing system

So far, many ARK employees did not have access to their business mail outside of the office. This need is, for example, conditioned by assignments, holidays and being on sick leave.

Finally, in 2006, the long-expected solution was found. In cooperation with the IT Department within the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communication, a convenient and secure solution for telecommuting was developed by which any ARK employee can access their e-mail box almost everywhere where the Internet is available.

Furthermore, thanks to this opportunity, employees can create common network files for user groups within the department or when required. All the members of the user group can jointly read and use network files.

# Online Data on the receipt of state fees

During 2006, we moved strongly towards better information exchange in relation with the state fee received by the ARK. The information system called TASU processes information concerning money received on the ARK bank account. Thus, ARK customer service representatives can verify online whether money for a certain transaction has been received on our bank account or not and automatically associate the receipt with an exercisable transaction.

After the implementation of the system, in making payments, a customer shall not have to collect a receipt of payment from Hansapank or Ühispank. In addition, ARK employees shall not have to deal with the time-consuming manual input of payment information that is currently done.

Using TASU, the customer is, first of all, able to fill out an e-form of ARK transactions via the Internet. The customer service representative can automatically use the received information in the ARK information system.

Owing to the transfer to TASU, ARK employees can provide services for customers more effectively and speed up the movement of queues in our bureaus by reducing time spent on a transaction.

Margus Suik
Deputy Director of Administrative Affairs















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# Examination vehicles equipped with data recording devices

For years, the ARK has participated as a member in the work of the CIECA – the umbrella organisation for driver testing centres in European Member States – and has also actively acted in the CIECA working group in relation to the driver testing process.

Various solutions for the harmonisation of the assessment of tests and for giving more comprehensive feedback on mistakes made during the test are sought within the working group. Here, the introduction of new information technological solutions is helpful. For example, in respect of this, an idea to equip the examination vehicle with an electronic recording device that helps, compared to the present completion of paper documents, to record and analyse the course of the test more precisely came up.

The introduction of new examination vehicles will substantially improve the feedback given to the examinees and their training providers. If the route passed and mistakes corrected during the route are analysed in visual reproduction, it will appear what should be paid more attention to during the follow-up training. However innovative the technical solutions are, the examiners and their professional skills are top priority.

As from 15 January 2007, the ARK practical driving test can be conducted using new Volkswagen Golfs equipped with data recording devices. The use of new examination vehicle was not immediately compulsory: there was a transition period until 1 February when the examinee could choose with which vehicle to conduct the test.

The new Volkswagen Golf examination vehicles are equipped with miscellaneous data recording devices collecting information throughout the practical driving test. If, until then, the examiner completed a paper driving test report, this is now replaced by an e-report. The GPS device included in the equipment of the vehicle tracks the location and speed of the vehicle, and the camera records the driving test in video mode.

The data recording devices enable the practical driving test to be analysed later. On the GPS map it can even be displayed whether the vehicle halted in front of a pedestrian crossing or not, and on which side of the road the vehicle was driving. The examiner can complete the driving test report to be replaced by an electronic report in the laptop during the test.

# New examination vehicle will help to improve the results of the practical driving test

The examiners must collect information on mistakes of driver candidates, the field of what skills need to be developed and what traffic schools should pay more attention to.

The purpose of the introduction of data recording devices is not to tighten the testing process, but it was subject to the need to find out what the main mistakes of young drivers are. The recordings enable us to make conclusions, for example, to ascertain what to focus on in follow-up training.

Owing to the data recording devices, the mistakes made during the practical driving test can be analysed later. So the examinee and training provider are able to receive better feedback – in case of contestation of the test results, the test performance of the driver candidate is shown to them on tape.

The new system enables every nuance of the driving test to be analysed. For example, if all the students have made the same mistake, it can be discussed whether the ARK is too strict or the students are poorly trained. Pursuant to this, the information can be given to the training provider on how to organise the

follow-up training for the students who failed the test.

Modern data recording devices provide confidence for examinees that they will be assessed objectively – the cameras are helpful in the settlement of possible later disputes.

Furthermore, the new system helps to compile very precise statistics on the driving tests.

## New State Fees Act

O1.01.2007 a new State Fees Act entered into force according to which the ARK has divided its driving test fees into two parts: registration for the test and participation in the test. While the organisational changes related to the new act, the driving test fee remained unchanged – both tests still cost 380 kroons, and the fee for the use of the vehicle adds to the practical driving test.

The state fee of 80 kroons is paid for the registration to the driver theory test and 300 kroons for assessing the test. The state fee of 150 kroons is paid for the registration to the practical driving test and the state fee for assessing this test is paid as follows: 300 kroons for the use of an ARK vehicle, and 230 kroons for the use of another vehicle.

# Occupational training and professional certificate

As from 1 January 2007, all drivers transporting goods and passengers for charge must have conducted occupational training and they must have either a certificate issued by a current training institution or a professional certificate issued from the turn of the year in ARK bureaus.

From the end of 2000, the occupational training system began to take root in Estonia. The preparations for the issuance of professional certificates began last spring. In August 2006, an Occupational Training and Driver's Licence Division was formed within the Examination Department. The assessment of the training institutions (total 32) providing occupational training for professional drivers began. As from 01.01.2007, in addition to the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communication, the ARK also started to test occupational trainers.

The first professional certificate was issued in the ARK Tallinn Bureau on 22 January 2007. Among European Union Member States, Estonia is one of the first states to issue professional certificates.

The professional certificate issued by the ARK looks like a driving licence. A right to drive category pursuant to which occupational training is completed, and the final date of validity of the certificate, is, inter alia, indicated on the professional certificate. In the European Union, the professional certificate of truck and bus drivers is compulsory, but the professional certificate of taxi drivers is a national document.

## Examiner

In 2006, the annual training for examiners was organised introducing new trends in the testing process. The opportunity to develop individually by foreign colleagues in the Netherlands, Germany and Finland was provided for several examiners.

The results of the test of examiners' professional skills refer to an improvement of the quality of the examination process, indicating that taking the test meets the international level.

Juhan Kaarpalu
Deputy Director of Driver's Licenses and Examination







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# Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre on its way towards freedom from papers

During 2006, we have actively been involved in the implementation of the project "Paper-free ARK" financed by the European Union Structural Funds.

The purpose of this project is to make the transactions with ARK considerably more convenient for our private customers, enterprises and ARK partners. The paper-free ARK provides entrepreneurs and citizens with the opportunity to perform many transactions via the Internet, without getting up from a chair. In this case, you will need to visit an ARK bureau only to receive paper documents or to show a vehicle bought abroad.

The innovations in relation to our various partners (vehicle importers, traffic schools, roadworthiness testing centres, bailiffs and demolition companies) forms a very important part of the "Paper-free ARK" project. The paper-free ARK provides them all with a simple, convenient and digital opportunity to communicate information to us and make the information queries from our database.

For example, vehicle importers will be granted an authorisation to register vehicles only in limited cases (merely in the case of new vehicles). Users can associate the vehicle owner and users with the vehicle, but, however, he or she cannot record the payment of the state fee, issue the registration plate or the certificate of registration. Initially, these activities must remain within the authority of the ARK bureau specialist.

When the person who acquired the vehicle (mostly leasing companies) has granted corresponding authorisations to the vehicle shops, it is possible to submit an application for the registration of the vehicle. At the moment, for receipt of the certificate of registration and the registration plate, you must still come to an ARK bureau.

# Simpler registration of vehicles from third countries

On 10 February 2006, the amendment to the Regulation on "Rules for typeapproval of motor vehicles and their trailers and of motorcycles" repealing subsection 2 (19) of this Regulation, which establishes the definition of a family of vehicle type, entered into force.

The definition of the family of vehicle type made registering the vehicles produced for the markets in third countries difficult. In particular, the ARK was able to grant an individual approval only for the vehicles whose vehicle types belonging to the family of vehicle type has not been granted national type approval pursuant to the annexes of this Regulation.

For example, it was not possible to grant individual vehicle approval for the Audi A6 produced for the US market because it has been granted European type-approval – thus, this model had already been granted national type-approval under the directive by accepting the existing type-approval of the vehicle. However, some exemptions were allowed, e.g. for migrants.

In reality, it meant that so-called pure American vehicles could be registered but, for example, it was not possible to register the Dodge Magnum, which has not been produced for Europe, but the existing Chrysler 300C with European type-approval already belonged to its family of vehicle type. Owing to the deletion of the definition of the family of vehicle type, the ARK will be able to grant individual vehicle approvals for all the motor vehicles.

Individual vehicle approvals have not been harmonised in European Member States; therefore, every Member State can decide what requirements to fulfil.

# ARIS2006 analysis completed

ARIS2006 is the information system of the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre by means of which the national traffic register is administered.







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For the moment, the ARIS information system, central to the ARK, has already been in use for more than 10 years and during this time, the system has become technically and morally outdated. In 2006, we started to work to fully replace this information system.

During the year, we compiled an analysis ascertaining the main bottlenecks in the existing information system, and prepared a detailed description of the system to be created.

On the basis of the consolidated data, we can move forward and organise a procurement on system development works in 2007.

# Tachonet integrates European digital tachographs

The Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre forms a part of the family of European motor vehicle registers. We exchange miscellaneous information with our colleagues concerning vehicles and the right to drive.

In 2006, the Tachonet information system was improved and the preparatory work for incorporation of the ARK into this system was carried out. Information on the digital tachograph cards issued in different countries is available in Tachonet.

# Rules for the registration of recreational craft entered into force

On 25 August 2006, "Rules for recreational craft and boats of less than 12 meters in total length" entered into force. The regulation regulates the registration transactions related to recreational craft and boats of less than 12 meters in total length to be registered in Estonia and navigating in Estonian territorial waters and navigable inland waters.

The rules provide for the procedure for registration in the traffic register, amendment of registration information, removal from the register, issuance of the certificate of registration and marking the board with registration plates, and the format of the certificate of registration and requirements for the registration plates.

# Vehicle inspection before the amendment of registration information will be simplified

An amendment to the Regulation "Rules for the registration of motor vehicles and their trailers" entered into force 21.01.2007 was prepared in 2006. The regulation decreased the scope of vehicle inspection before the amendment of registration information.

After entry into force of the Regulation, the vehicles need to be submitted for inspection for amendment of information when vehicle information changes or when the registration transactions related to vehicles without a vehicle identification number are sought to be performed. The regulation also specifies the use of demountable registration plates (PROOV) and amends the specifications of permitted categories.

# Rules for the registration of personal watercraft

The regulation concerning the procedure for registration of personal watercraft in the traffic register, amendment of registration information, removal from the register, issuance of certificates of registration and marking personal watercraft with registration plates, the format of certificates of registration and the requirements for registration plates entered into force on 9 April 2006.







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# Road safety, traffic education and environmental sustainability

In recent years, the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre has increasingly focused on the formation of safe traffic and environmentally sustainable attitudes in its activity.

Previously, we have primarily carried this out during the driver examination procedures and in the field of monitoring driver training. We have substantially contributed to the training of examiners and used as a starting point in the assessment internationally recognised principles.

In 2006, we decided to move forward and communicate directly with people on this matter. One of the possibilities for the improvement of traffic culture is to give guidance to young drivers on exemplary and safe traffic. We organised many events to improve Estonian traffic culture.

# 50 free helmets for moped drivers

In relation to Child Protection Day, in June, the first holders of a moped licence also received, in addition to a driving licence, a moped helmet complying with European requirements. After successfully passing the theory and practical driving tests, the first 50 novice drivers received a new helmet by virtue of the moped licence as a gift from Velt Motocenter or the ARK bureau.

The campaign was successful: in only the first four days of June, the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre issued more moped licences than the total issued in April of the same year. In particular, in April 2006 we issued 20, in May 82 and in June 132 moped licences.

Hanno Velt, a multiple Estonian and Baltic champion in motorcycle track racing, said that he is very concerned about the safety of youth, which is why he gladly agreed to support the campaign initiated by the ARK.

# Meetings with basic and secondary school students in autumn

From September to December, the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre visited many Estonian basic and secondary schools and upper secondary schools with the aim of debating the traffic culture, driving licences, examination procedure and other fields of activities of the ARK. A total of more than 50 schools were visited.

A briefing designed for students from grades 8-12 lasted one lesson. We introduced for students the fields of activities and developments of the ARK, talked about the traffic culture and road safety, and enlarged upon the matters related to driving licences and the right to drive. Driving licences for bicycles, mopeds, motorcycles and motor vehicles and granting the right to drive were also discussed.

While 45 minutes were not sufficient to communicate all the information required, we also distributed information brochures about the right to drive for students, and in addition, school libraries received the ARK's annual report. We introduced a newly updated ARK website, also including a special information corner for students since last autumn.

# Traffic knowledge via mobile and Internet games

Most of the applicants for driving licences are youth who have become accustomed to actively using the Internet and mobile phones, both for information searches and for data mining.

During 2006, the ARK has been involved in the development of a new mobile and Internet game. The game helps both new driver candidates and experienced drivers to assess their knowledge of traffic rules and traffic more widely.

The game to be developed consists of theory and practical driving tests. During the theory test, a player answers the questions concerning traffic rules and can compare the results with the results of fellow players.

During the practical driving test, the player drives the vehicle in a virtual city in the Internet or mobile world. At that time, unlike most racing games, the purpose is to follow traffic rules.

We believe that the mobile and Internet game to be developed provides our customers with a new and pleasing opportunity to test traffic knowledge.

# Traffic tests on the ARK website and in newspapers

For some time now, all the Internet-users have been able to assess their knowledge about traffic theory on the website of the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre. This demo version of the traffic test functions on the principle of the theory test but as the theory test questions are classified, questions distinct from the test are used.

Since autumn 2006, every Wednesday, the Postimees has published one question on traffic theory and a correct answer.

# Drive efficiently!

The conservation of a healthy natural environment should be the concern of all of us. Today, in Estonia, in comparison with the rest of Europe, smaller and more environmentally-friendly vehicles are purchased less. To reduce the pollution arising from vehicles it is important that we drive the most appropriate car for us and not to consume limited natural resources for no purpose. It is consumption for no purpose if the person drives a needlessly large and fuelthirsty vehicle.

In 2006, for the promotion of sustainable driving and of selecting a reasonable vehicle, the ARK prepared a short video clip to visualise the pros and cons that the selection of a different type vehicle involves both for the purse of the purchaser and for the environment. Information on the emission limits and environmental harmfulness of the vehicle models sold in Estonia can be found on our website.

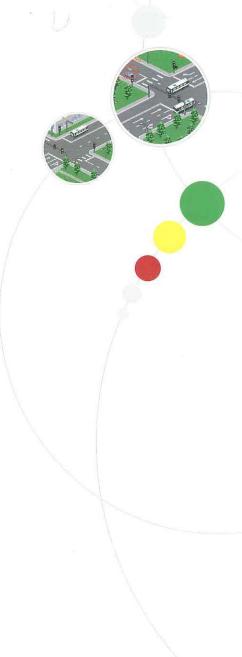
# Fuel consumption and carbon dioxide emissions guide

The Earth's atmosphere functions as a greenhouse, letting the sunlight through and holding part of the heat inside. This phenomenon is known as the greenhouse effect. If there were no greenhouse effect, the average temperature of the Earth would be approximately -18°C, but now it is 15°C on average.

The Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre will develop, hand in hand with vehicle importers, a database consolidating data on new vehicle models on sale. Technical data mainly includes the values measured during type-approval.

There are lot of factors influencing vehicle costs (fuel consumption) and emissions, including driving conditions and tricks, traffic situation, vehicle equipment and loaded weight, and technical conditions.

The guide includes the following data: vehicle mark and model, engine power, CO<sup>2</sup> emissions, total fuel consumption, engine capacity, transmission, number of seats, mode of transport and type of bodywork.



	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2090			1997						1991				1987	Older	
GAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	٥	0	1.	0	0	0	0	О	11	13
INFINITI	3	2	3	3	0	0	0	٥	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
MCC	0	0	0	2	2	3	3	2	1	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
MERCURY	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	13
ISUZU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	5	1	3	2	0	0	12
BENTLEY	8	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
OLDSMOBILE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	10
UAZ	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	1	0.	3	0	1	9
SMART	0	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
FERRARI	3	0	5	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	D	0	0	0	7
SELF-ASSEMBLED	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5
DAIMLER	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
MG	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
MASERATI	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	٥	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
ROLLS-ROYCE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
VAUXHALL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
ACURA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
ASTON MARTIN	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	D	0	.0	0	0	0	0	2
BMW ALPINA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	٥	2
CHALLENGER	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
MORGAN	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
PACKARD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
PROTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
ZAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
ASIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
AZLK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	.0	1	1
AUSTIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	D	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
DATSUN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	D	0	0	0	.0	1	1
EAGLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	D	0	0	0	0	0	1
FIAT BÜRSTNER	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
FIAT CARTHAGO	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	О	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
FIAT MOBILVETTA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
FORD DETHLEFFS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
INTERNATIONAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
IVECO	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
LAMBORGHINI	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
LOTUS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
LUAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	D	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
MAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
MAYBACH	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
MC LOUIS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
MZMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
RENAULT MOBILVETTA	1	0	0	D	0	0	D	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
SCION	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TEMPO	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	1
VOLVO LAHTI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
WARTBURG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1

# Passenger cars first registered in 2006

By make	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2004	2000			1997										1987	Older	
VOLKSWAGEN	2137	87	199	521	452	340	354	554	733	919	846	918	1025	772	574	288	147	81	63	17	72	11099
AUDI	486	84	142	355	375	300	332	432	559	567	722	871	626	519	446	176	83	64	33	19	17	7208
BMW	439	153	172	272	326	337	319	379	460	508	620	584	600	539	586	388	107	63	47	6	20	6925
FORD	1373	30	82	281	234	219	174	410	460	676	740	707	420	366	120	83	47	28	24	16	33	6523
OPEL	1187	24	57	143	130	140	207	344	510	537	591	562	407	245	205	103	61	28	21	3	7	5512
TOYOTA	3606	39	81	98	103	102	95	117	177	77	59	45	50	26	21	26	30	19	15	11	11	4808
MERCEDES-BENZ	686	189	178	261	309	259	252	278	291	291	270	202	242	134	134	124	80	82	84	54	87	4487
MAZDA	1650	8	24	53	52	57	83	127	131	91	104	147	100	79	71	40	35	20	9	3	11	2895
HONDA	2084	7	11	23	19	9	21	40	48	49	75	93	58	37	25	19	14	3	8	3	2	2648
VOLVO	382	28	50	100	132	137	147	161	193	201	177	119	92	58	57	38	17	15	12	13	36	2165
NISSAN	879	17	55	33	41	54	58	70	72	95	118	99	78	62	50	43	29	18	11	10	16	1875
PEUGEOT	1262	61	179	51	21	25	17	18	13	17	13	13	8	10	9	12	17	53	6	2	3	1780
CHRYSLER	254	42	50	36	80	122	116	154	126	181	182	155	87	74	34	12	4	0	0	0	2	1711
RENAULT	1303	2	16	26	30	22	15	28	51	47	52	36	27	18	15	6	9	2	3	1	1	1710
CITROEN	1529	2	5	7	8	14	5	4	3	6	6	6	6	2	2	3	2	0	4	0	0	1614
MITSUBISHI	383	5	15	8	26	32	63	98	136	163	147	122	89	61	47	20	31	31	22	13	3	1515
SKODA	1197	2	6	10	5	1	4	7	7	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1247
HYUNDAI	966	7	7	8	12	8	11	10	11	8	11	4	5	3	2	0	1	0	٥	0	0	1074
SAAB	119	11	42	105	59	32	42	57	75	32	45	54	36	27	18	17	7	9	7	9	16	819
CHEVROLET	461	3	5	3	6	9	9	9	16	71	22	12	4	13	3	5	5	4	4	2	22	688
SEAT	405	3	3	8	14	29	24	44	20	20	18	27	12	13	11	1	1	0	1	0	1	655
SUZUKI	494	1	2	2	0	1	5	3	5	6	5	8	1	5	6	3	7	10	4	2	4	574
KIA	522	2	3	7	7	7	8	6	3	1	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	573
LEXUS	427	19	7	6	4	16	15	24	0	3	0	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	527
JEEP	165	9	6	17	23	24	36	47	7	31	33	28	21	15	17	16	15	5	5	0	4	524
SUBARU	388	13	9	3	5	4	5	10	2	3	6	3	7	3	4	5	2	1	0	0	0	473
FIAT	184	3	2	5	6	5	15	55	13	31	41	32	10	8	12	7	6	8	3	1	5	419
DACIA	302	0	0	0	0	О	0	0	0	О	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	О	302
LAND ROVER	125	13	5	9	10	10	6	18	12	12	10	12	5	2	3	2	1	1	3	0	7	266
LADA [VAZ]	34	0	2	0	0	4	7	8	5	8	38	33	25	15	10	2	5	8	8	3	4	219
ALFA ROMEO	34	2	1	1	4	3	7	26	20	7	14	9	4	1	2	4	1	3	1	0	2	146
PONTIAC	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	28	23	36	24	8	5	1	1	2	1	6	146
CADILLAC	50	1	22	0	0	1	0	2	1	20	6	2	4	2	4	1	3	3	0	0	15	137
DODGE	41	4	4	3	1	3	2	3	2	33	13	8	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	8	131
ROVER	1	1	0	3	1	6	12	17	19	12	24	11	7	11	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	130
JAGUAR	30	1	4	12	9	3	7	4	3	6	4	3	3	1	2	0	3	1	3	2	5	106
LINCOLN	6	2	4	1	0	1	1	1	0	32	5	2	4	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	9	71
PORSCHE	29	7	5	5	1	1	2	1	1	4	2	0	0	0	1	2	1	2	1	1	5	71
SSANGYONG	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62
MINI	26	4	0	6	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48
PLYMOUTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	14	11	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	31
GMC	2	1	0	4	1	0	1	0	0	11	3	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	30
LANCIA	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	3	2	5	5	2	2	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	27
BUICK	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	3	2	0	4	3	0	1	0	0	10	26
DAIHATSU	0	0	0	0	0	0.	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	1	4	1	2	0	0	17
AMG HUMMER	14	0	0	0,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
DAEWOO	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	3	2	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	О	14

# Motorcycles first registered in 2006

Make	Number
YAMAHA	614
SUZUKI	558
HONDA	420
KAWASAKI	347
APRILIA	78
BMW	69
KTM	66
HARLEY-DAVIDSON	61
QINGQI	58
BOMBARDIER ATV	28
TRIUMPH	17
CAN-AM	14
JAWA	13
GAS GAS	12
BUELL	11
KYMCO	11
DUCATI	10
MOTO GUZZI	10
HUSQVARNA	8
PIAGGIO	8
CAGIVA	7
HUSABERG	6

IZ	6				
KMZ	6				
YIYING	6				
JINLUN	5				
LONCIN	5				
HYOSUNG	4				
DADYW	3				
DAELIM	3				
E-TON	3				
GILERA	3				
IMZ	3				
MMVZ	3				
SELF-ASSEMBLED	3				
TGB	3				
TMZ	3				
AMS	2				
BASHAN	2				
BOOM	2				
KASEA	2				
KZID	2				
LINHAI	2				
MV AGUSTA	2				
NEW ERA	2				

RHON	2
DIVINE STAR & MOON	2
AIE	1
BENELLI	1
CAMPELL	1
CZ	1
DERBI	1
KEEWAY	1
MZ	1
PEUGEOT	1
PGO PGO	1
POLINI	1
REWACO	1
SACHS	1
SAN YANG	1
VICTORIA	1
XINLING	1
XINTIAN	1
TOTAL	2521

# Passenger cars first registered in 2006

Chassis type	Number
SALOON	23001
STATION WAGON	22310
HATCHBACK	17106
MULTI-PURPOSE VEHICLE	9828
COUPE	1368
CONVERTIBLE	450
CARAVAN	86
SPECIAL PURPOSE	32
LIMOUSINE	21
PICK-UP	4
SPORTS CAR	4
WAGON	2

Doors	Number
5	41987
4	26045
3	4577
2	1587
0	11
1	3
6	2

Power (kw)	Number
up to 59	9449
60 - 74	14682
75 - 99	22218
100 - 124	17057
125 - 149	5654
150 - 199	3574
200-249	1190
250 - 299	284
300 - 399	91
405	1
412	8
450	3
460	1

Capacity (cm <sup>3</sup> )	Number
up to 950	78
951 - 1150	1208
1151 - 1250	598
1251 - 1350	1411
1351 - 1450	4279
1451 - 1550	935
1551 - 1650	11876
1651 - 1750	855
1751 - 1850	9452
1851 - 1950	6533
1951 - 2150	15163
2151 - 2350	3098
2351 - 2550	8894
2551 - 2750	1297
2751 - 2950	2107
2951 - 3450	3750
3451 - 3950	823
3951 - 4950	1139
4951 - 5950	561
over 5951	155

Colour	
Black	12169
Silver	9565
Dark blue	8055
Grey	7799
Red	6757
Blue	4971
Dark green	4255
Dark red	3197
Green	3045
Dark grey	2753
White	2640
Light grey	2183
Beige	1759
Violet	1186
Light blue	902
Light green	784
Light beige	469
Brown	437
Golden	424
Yellow	367
Orange	236
Light brown	141
Dark red	80
Light yellow	18
Pink	9
Dark yellow	6
Light red	5

# Vehicles first registered in traffic register in 2006

											TOTAL	
January	4345	1886	659	400	39	19	39	10	335 -	242	5417	2557
February	4389	1537	632	292	33	13	51	11	408	296	5513	2149
March	5742	1807	793	397	44	12	125	41	509	375	7213	2632
April	6447	2104	858	472	39	11	435	137	654	480	8433	3204
May	7685	2817	915	465	40	13	451	174	851	674	9942	4143
June	7046	2452	826	402	29	13	373	125	789	624	9063	3616
July	6821	2100	747	371	52	34	307	105	699	541	8626	3151
August	7118	2354	919	476	24	8	238	61	722	576	9021	3475
September	6604	2062	1157	691	27	9	186	43	674	537	8648	3342
October	6672	2253	880	488	28	7	130	25	636	509	8346	3282
November	6105	2250	885	468	37	6	92	14	618	450	7737	3188
December	5238	1750	662	309	63	15	94	25	574	447	6631	2546
2006 TOTAL	74212	25372	9933	5231	455	160	2521	771	7469	5751	94590	37285

January	48	33	67	58	50	47	20	17	15	10	11	0
February	23	12	84	70	35	27	15	13	22	17	3	1
March	23	12	130	106	72	57	25	21	46	35	2	0
April	15	13	187	159	88	75	40	31	148	114	7	1
May	10	7	153	116	110	88	53	47	214	141	18	7
June	9	4	102	91	86	73	49	44	210	138	33	7
July	2	1	82	66	79	66	27	24	227	136	32	11
August	8	8	75	59	84	60	38	33	171	101	14	7
September	12	10	112	99	69	59	27	21	89	50	5	2
October	11	5	134	120	61	46	16	15	70	42	3	2
November	27	19	115	107	92	77	23	21	31	19	1	0
December	46	34	124	112	38	27	16	14	41	29	4	1
2006 TOTAL	234	158	1365	1163	864	702	349	301	1284	832	133	39

# New passenger cars first registered in 2006

Make	Number
TOYOTA	3591
VOLKSWAGEN	2113
HONDA	2082
MAZDA	1646
CITROEN	1528
FORD	1369
RENAULT	1298
PEUGEOT	1258
OPEL	1184
SKODA	1163
HYUNDAI	964
VISSAN	877
MERCEDES-BENZ	594
KIA	520
SUZUKI	494
CHEVROLET	456
AUDI	442
EXUS	416
BMW	405
SEAT	405

SUBARU	381	
MITSUBISHI	380	
VOLVO	369	
DACIA	302	
CHRYSLER	244	
FIAT	183	
JEEP	155	
SAAB	114	
LAND ROVER	113	
CADILLAC	49	
SSANGYONG	49	
DODGE	40	
ALFA ROMEO	34	
LADA	34	
JAGUAR	30	
MINI	23	
PORSCHE	23	
AMG HUMMER	12	
BENTLEY	7	
LINCOLN	6	
CELE ACCEMBLED	4	

INFINITI	3				
GMC	2				
ASTON MARTIN	1				
CHALLENGER	1				
FERRARI	1				
FIAT MOBILVETTA	1				
IVECO	1				
MC LOUIS	1				
MORGAN	1				
PONTIAC	1				
RENAULT MOBILVETTA	1				
ROVER	1				
TOTAL	25372				

Grey	4309
Silver	3865
Black	3723
Red	2529
Blue	2474
Beige	1472
Dark grey	1299
Dark red	796
White	745
Green	636
Dark blue	616
Light blue	486
Light grey	478
Light green	408
Light beige	299
Brown	269
Yellow	212
Golden	203
Orange	203
Dark green	159
Violet	77
Light brown	72
Dark brown	35
Dark yellow	4
Light red	2
Light yellow	1

B(ote)15					
0	3				
2	143				
3	961				
4	6936				
5	17329				

up to 59	3431
60 - 74	3958
75 - 99	7726
100 - 124	7242
125 - 149	1100
150 - 199	1410
200 - 246	327
250 - 299	129
300 - 399	40
412	7
450	2

Capacity (cm <sup>3</sup> )	Number
up to 950	48
951 - 1150	1007
1151 - 1250	445
1251 - 1350	776
1351 - 1450	2938
1451 - 1550	509
1551 - 1650	6114
1651 - 1750	198
1751 - 1850	2039
1851 - 1950	1239
1951 - 2150	5227
2151 - 2350	788
2351 - 2550	1673
2551 - 2750	212
2751 - 2950	175
2951 - 3450	1396
3451 - 3950	255
3951 - 4950	192
4951 - 5950	99
over 5951	42

Chassis-type	
HATCHBACK	7884
STATION WAGON	6285
SALOON	5592
MULTI-PURPOSE VEHICLE	5380
COUPE	114
CONVERTIBLE	49
CARAVAN	43
SPECIAL PURPOSE	23
SPORTS CAR	2

# Classification of vehicles by administrative territories as of January 1,2007

						incl private			
HARJU COUNTY	234434	121376	2402	221	42867	7796	4021	20222	
INCL TALLINN	190712	83449	2087	134	35605	4579	2637	15286	
HIIU COUNTY	6052	5404	42	19	989	546	258	631	
INCL KÄRDLA	1797	1591	7	1	320	131	81	195	
IDA-VIRU COUNTY	49803	44374	676	161	5906	2545	979	3361	
INCL NARVA	14460	12900	152	46	1312	574	325	777	
INCL KOHTLA-JÄRVE	12876	11600	121	41	1235	579	156	672	
INCL JŌHVI	4413	3655	122	15	789	233	80	317	
JÕGEVA COUNTY	16032	14277	150	65	2660	1357	460	2031	
INCL JŌGEVA	2650	2302	23	12	398	161	86	313	
JÄRVA COUNTY	14737	13096	104	34	2541	1127	421	1550	
INCL PAIDE	3511	3063	28	9	558	188	85	361	
LÄÄNE COUNTY	14626	10929	102	18	2670	945	386	1357	
INCL HAAPSALU	6886	4021	50	10	1387	249	136	479	
LÄÄNE-VIRU COUNTY	27192	24014	255	56	5088	2278	694	2938	
INCL RAKVERE	7282	6278	44	13	1357	522	156	864	
PÕLVA COUNTY	17613	15742	96	47	2597	1464	569	1613	
INCL PŌLVA	3919	3429	21	12	557	218	124	397	
PÄRNU COUNTY	34235	29399	225	62	5540	2507	1038	3879	
INCL PÄRNU	15433	12650	122	27	2390	829	418	1673	
RAPLA COUNTY	16548	14671	153	54	2692	1386	443	1659	
INCL RAPLA	2413	2080	38	3	418	130	67	288	
SAARE COUNTY	15699	13856	138	32	2535	1221	539	1870	
INCL KURESSAARE	6045	5186	84	8	1073	338	184	890	
TARTU COUNTY	51084	42468	583	106	8043	3025	1148	6123	
INCL TARTU	32129	25940	474	60	4714	1423	694	3764	
VALGA COUNTY	15794	14012	107	32	2346	1214	441	1409	
INCL VALGA	6464	5694	43	10	896	391	158	503	
VILJANDI COUNTY	22551	20060	161	70	3655	1964	783	2482	
INCL VILJANDI	8002	6966	59	20	1319	548	284	985	
VÕRU COUNTY	17612	15671	184	59	2731	1458	414	1629	
INCL VÕRU	6704	5840	34	12	1112	475	172	623	
ESTONIA TOTAL	554012	399349	5378	1036	92860	30833	12594	52754	

# Amount of vehicles in the traffic register 2002 - 2007

	01.01.02		01.01.03		01.01.04		01.01.05		01.01.05		01.01.07	
MOTORCYCLES	6837	1	7259	1	8112	1	9113	1	10234	2	12594	2
PASSENGER CARS	407272	76	400697	78	433982	76	471183	77	493780	77	554012	77
INCL PRIVATE	343724		324255		341422		361056		369041		399349	
GOODS VEHICLES	80535	15	80179	14	83430	15	85732	14	86201	13	92860	13
INCL PRIVATE	34560		33263		33160		32491		30866		30833	
BUSES	5542	1	5306	1	5364	1	5284	1	5194	1	5378	1
INCL PRIVATE	1272		1164		1186		1176		1047		1036	
TRAILERS	36745	7	37393	6	39941	7	42658	7	46325	7	52754	7
TOTAL	536931	100	530834	100	570829	100	613970	100	641734	100	717598	100

# Vehicles registered in traffic register (by age) as of January, 2007

		Up to 2 years	3 to 5 years	6 to 10 years	Over 10 years
MOTORCYCLES	12594	1085	960	1776	8773
PASSENGER CARS	554012	43428	55740	87921	366923
INCL PRIVATE	399349	5103	15065	58961	320220
GOODS VEHICLES	92860	9220	9742 16059		57839
INCL PRIVATE	30833	87	374	2595	27777
BUSES	5378	262	251	584	4281
INCL PRIVATE	1036	2	4	47	983
CARS TOTAL	652250	52910	65733	104564	429043
TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLES	664844	53995	66693	106840	437816
TRAILERS	52754	9583	6281	6984	29906

# Wheel tractors and mobile machinery registered in traffic register as of January, 2007

		Up to 2 years	3 to 5 years	6 to 10 years	Over 10 years
WHEEL TRACTORS	32517	1807	1352	1607	27751
INCL PRIVATE	21384	217	236	685	20246
CRAWLER TRACTORS	1227	0	0	7	1220
INCL PRIVATE	479	0	0	0	479
EXCAVATORS	3167	493	371	260	2043
INCL PRIVATE	358	1	1	8	348
COMBINE HARVESTERS	1235	140	180	77	838
INCL PRIVATE	414	2	9	7	396
LOADERS	1755	444	318	333	660
INCL PRIVATE	97	0	1	9	87
FORESTRY VEHICLES	612	63	99	162	288
INCL PRIVATE	91	0	1	8	82
ROADWORK MACHINERY	539	28	40	43	428
INCL PRIVATE	37	0	0	0	37
WHEEL TRACTOR TRAILERS	11396	610	318	346	10122
INCL PRIVATE	4839	95	71	183	4490

# Classification of vehicles by type of fuel as of January 1, 2007

	TOTAL	PASSENGER CARS	GOODS VEHICLES	BUSES	MOTORCYCLES
	664844	554012	92860	5378	12594
TYPE					
PETROL	492316	451131	27450	1141	12594
DIESELFUEL	172503	102863	65403	4237	0
GAS-POWERED	25	18	7	0	0

# Vehicles submitted to technical inspection (by vehicle category), Jan 1, 2006 - Dec 31, 2006

			Compatible				
L3	MOTORCYCLE	4255	4231	22	15	4204	0.52
L4	MOTORCYCLE	248	247	1	30.4	247	0.4
L5	MOTORCYCLE	14	14	0	15.4	14	0
LM	MOBILE MACHINERY	2529	2478	48	12.4	2471	1.9
M1	PASSENGER CAR	304255	273942	29707	13.5	266827	9.76
M1G	ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE	6234	5876	346	9.2	5808	5.55
M2	BUS	1432	1317	107	8.9	873	7.47
МЗ	BUS	5761	5103	584	16.4	2464	10.14
N1	GOODS VEHICLE	29469	26998	2423	9.6	25855	8.22
N1G	ALLTERRAIN VEHICLE	2455	2303	148	5.7	2184	6.03
N2	GOODS VEHICLE	8627	7708	861	16.6	7062	9.98
N2G	ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE	394	357	34	19	305	8.63
N3	GOODS VEHICLE	31081	28696	1751	8.5	15977	5.63
N3G	ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE	112	100	12	16.1	92	10.71
D1K	LIGHT WEIGHT TRAILER	13134	13056	66	15.8	13009	0.5
D2K	CENTRE-AXLE TRAILER	2405	2388	15	13.3	2311	0.62
)2P	SEMI-TRAILER	1	1	0	11	1	0
DET	TRAILER	390	387	3	17.6	386	0.77
D3K	CENTRE-AXLE TRAILER	75	68	6	16.3	60	8
D3P	SEMI-TRAILER	15	15	0	20.7	15	0
OST	TRAILER	76	72	3	20.4	69	3.95
D4K	CENTRE-AXLE TRAILER	2311	2206	77	5.9	958	3.33
04P	SEMI-TRAILER	17192	15648	845	6.7	6809	4.92
D4T	TRAILER	1622	1482	118	18.1	1168	7.27
R1A	WHEEL TRACTOR TRAILER	4	4	0	21.3	4	0
R2A	WHEEL TRACTOR TRAILER	9	9	0	18.1	9	0
R3A	WHEEL TRACTOR TRAILER	68	68	0	3.5	68	0
R3B	WHEEL TRACTOR TRAILER	1	1	0	23	1	0
Г1	WHEEL TRACTOR	131	131	0	10.9	131	0
r2	WHEEL TRACTOR	3	3	0	17	3	0
гз	WHEEL TRACTOR	2	2	0	14.5	2	0
T5	WHEEL TRACTOR	30	30	0	2.6	30	0
TH	WHEEL TRACTOR TRAILER	3704	3625	69	18.6	3613	1.86
ГН1	WHEEL TRACTOR TRAILER	120	118	2	3.6	117	1.67
rB	WHEEL TRACTOR	11451	11290	127	18.3	11303	111
TR1	STANDARD WHEEL TRACTOR	596	591	4	4.6	593	0.67
TR2	NARROW WHEEL TRACTOR	3	3	О	2.3	. 3	0
TR3	SMALL WHEEL TRACTOR	3	3	0	15.3	3	0
TR4.1	HIGH WHEEL TRACTOR	1	1	0	16	1	0

# Vehicles submitted to technical inspection (by bureaus and departments), Jan 1, 2006 - Dec 31, 2006

Tallinn	124379	113825	10309	11.6	104547	8.29
Viljandi	19489	18105	1348	14.7	17592	6.92
Pärnu	37636	34805	2705	13.3	32027	7.19
Valga	14154	12801	1324	14.6	12287	9.35
Kärdla	3872	3612	260	15.6	3443	6.71
Jõhvi	24748	22377	2299	14.5	20954	9.29
Jõgeva	11042	10148	891	15.4	9889	8.07
Kuressaare	10772	9861	903	15	9655	8.38
Rapla	7344	6941	392	13.9	6572	5.34
Harju	59428	53101	4922	10.8	44237	8.28
Narva	13805	12182	1600	14.3	11134	11.59
Põlva	11105	9657	1384	15	9287	12.46
Paide	13744	12985	744	14.2	12443	5.41
Keskus	83	83	0	5.5	83	0
Rakvere	24042	21866	2101	14.1	21001	8.74
Haapsalu	4547	4016	507	14.2	3890	11.15
Tartu	57690	53012	4582	12.2	48737	7.94
Võru	12333	11195	1108	14.2	10569	8.98

# Vehicles submitted to technical inspection (by months), Jan 1, 2006 - Dec 31, 2006

Total	450213	410572	37379	12.8	374999	8.3
January	17291	15813	1348	11.8	14033	7.8
February	12718	11642	959	11.7	10461	7.54
March	31311	28536	2616	12.4	27182	8.35
April	49310	45203	3879	13.7	44482	7.87
May	50365	46053	4067	13.7	45110	8.08
June	44560	40764	3633	13.4	40163	8.15
July	43623	39962	3477	13.1	39360	7.97
August	43619	39862	3562	12.9	39065	8.17
September	42754	39117	3439	12.8	37905	8.04
October	43528	39812	3474	12.3	38098	7.98
November	38133	34202	3688	12.2	33019	9.67
December	33001	29606	3237	11.9	28650	9.81

# Vehicles submitted to technical inspection (by year of issue), Jan 1, 2006 - Dec 31, 2006

Year of issue						
1911	2	2	0	95	5	0
1930	1	1	0	76	1	0
1931	1	1	0	75	1	0
1932	1	1	0	74	1	0
1934	1	1	0	72	1	0
1935	1	1	0	71	1	0
1936	3	3	0	70	3	0
1937	6	5	1	69	5	16.67
1938	4	4	0	68	4	0
1939	8	8	0	67	8	0
1940	5	4	1	66	4	20
1941	1	1	0	65	1	0
1942	6	6	0	64	6	0
1943	2	2	0	63	2	.0
1944	3	3	0	62	3	0
1945	2	2	0	61	2	0
1946	1	1	0	60	1	0
1947	2	2	0	59	5	0
1948	9	9	0	58	8	0
1949	14	14	0	57	14	0
1950	7	7	0	56	7	0
1951	15	14	0	55	14	0
1952	13	13	0	54	13	0
1953	12	12	0	53	11	0
1954	17	17	0	52	17	0
1955	20	19	1	51	19	5
1956	21	21	0	50	21	0
1957	19	19	0	49	17	0
1958	39	38	1	48	38	2.56
1959	41	38	3	47	39	7.32
1960	65	60	4	46	60	6.15
1961	53	51	5	45	51	3.77
1962	89	85	4	44	83	4.49
1963	85	78	7	43	78	8.24
1964	103	98	5	42	95	4.85
1965	130	125	5	41	121	3.85
1966	136	125	11	40	124	8.09
1967	168	157	11	39	152	6.55
1968	181	173	8	38	170	4.42

			*		Amount	
Year of						
1969	217	207	10	37	204	4.61
1970	309	296	12	36	285	3.88
1971	435	419	16	35	398	3.68
1972	770	719	49	34	695	6.36
1973	1031	955	71	33	937	6.89
1974	1196	1087	106	32	1067	8.86
1975	1406	1280	119	31	1255	8.46
1976	1406	1297	106	30	1273	7.54
1977	1618	1452	157	29	1414	9.7
1978	1798	1625	170	28	1596	9.45
1979	2301	2116	179	27	2051	7.78
1980	2849	2597	242	26	2526	8.49
1981	3317	3016	285	25	2906	8.59
1982	4563	4104	441	24	3992	9.66
1983	6954	6229	693	23	5985	9.97
1984	8133	7339	767	55	7084	9.43
1985	11236	10174	1013	21	9815	9.02
1986	13744	12456	1235	20	11931	8.99
1987	16604	15054	1494	19	14363	9
1988	19433	17606	1774	18	16882	9.13
1989	20986	18863	2055	17	18086	9.79
1990	23521	20963	2483	16	20024	10.56
1991	30898	27515	3300	15	26343	10.68
1992	34189	30422	3678	14	29033	10.76
1993	29197	25997	3134	13	24938	10.73
1994	27797	24902	2806	12	23656	10.09
1995	18774	16832	1853	11	15560	9.87
1996	16624	15026	1501	10	13818	9.03
1997	23764	21583	1948	9	19370	8.2
1998	17235	15868	1139	8	13505	6.61
1999	17162	15918	1141	7	14485	6.65
2000	11741	10925	676	6	9247	5.76
2001	20906	19692	1107	5	17784	5.3
2002	12173	11654	411	4	9391	3.38
2003	23914	23018	750	3	20686	3.14
2004	7528	7215	227	2	4893	3.02
2005	7189	6954	157	1	3877	2.18
2006	5998	5970	7	0	2490	0.12

# Vehicles submitted to technical inspection (by type of inspection), Jan 1, 2006 - Dec 31, 2006

		Compatible	Repetitive	Average age	Amount of vehicles	Repeata bility %
Duplicate	251	251	0	10.1	249	0
Periodic	385462	347858	36744	13.3	372659	9.53
Repetitive	32183	31798	380	14.3	31619	1.18
Special	341	292	46	13.2	337	13.49
ADR national	117	101	0	11.4	104	0
ADR national - extension	298	243	0	14.7	247	0
ADR national - duplicate	2	2	0	16.5	2	0
ADR national - repetitive	2	2	О	17.5	2	0
International	5299	5121	50	4.5	5169	0.94
International - duplicate	228	228	0	6.1	222	0
International - repetitive	20	17	1	10.9	20	5
International - extension	11215	10474	71	7.4	10243	0.63
EURO3 certificate	6318	6064	34	2.6	6030	0.54
EURO3 certificate - duplicate	73	73	0	2.7	71	0
EURO3 certificate - repetitive	23	21	0	4.4	23	0
S certificate	2261	2051	45	7.4	2114	1.99
S certificate - duplicate	23	23	0	7.1	23	0
S certificate - repetitive	13	12	1	6.7	13	7.69
EURO4 certificate	413	413	0	0.1	412	0
EURO4 certificate - duplicate	2	2	0	0	2	0
EURO4 certificate - repetitive	1	1	0	0	1	0
Emergency vehicle - periodic	867	863	2	11.1	850	0.23
Emergency vehicle - repetitive	7	7	0	12.1	7	0
Examination vehicle - periodic	64	64	0	7.2	63	0
Vehicle for driving practice and examination - periodic	427	425	0	7.1	409	0
Vehicle for driving practice and examination - duplicate	3	3	0	22	3	0
Vehicle for driving practice and examination - repetitive	3	3	0	8	3	0
Taxi - periodic	3475	3451	5	9.8	3247	0.14
Taxi - duplicate	45	45	0	10.8	45	0
Taxi - repetitive	18	18	0	12.1	18	0
ADR international	298	265	0	3.9	268	0
ADR international - extension	451	371	0	6.8	370	0
ADR international - repetitive	10	10	0	7.7	9	0

# Digital Tachograph Cards in 2006:

Workshop card	32
Control card	12
Company card	225
Driver card	2455
ADR - training certificate	1008

# Terminated request by cause for application All bureaus Jan 1, 2006 - Dec 31, 2006

		Oriver's license		Provisional Restricted driver's driver's license license			Moped driver's license		ntificate	nver's	e of Grafit	
												Certificate of recreational craft
First issued	0	0	0	20100	0	977	0	478	91	2799	814	938
Enhancing of category (incl in-service training)	7	3296	0	399	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alteration of personal data	2691	0	263	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	3
Alteration of specific conditions	208	174	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reacquisition in case of loss	3462	0	528	0	14	0	5	0	2	1	1	45
Reacquisition in case of theft	1854	0	335	0	3	0	1	0	3	1	0	11
Reacquisition in case of destruction	37	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Exchange of provisional driver's license	19069	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Renewal of invalid driver's license	0	170	0	383	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Exchange of foreign driver's license	173	435	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exchange of restricted driver's license	0	0	0	1010	0	0	0	0	0	0	D	0
Alteration of category	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
According to foreign driver's license	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0
Exchange	53157	0	3940	0	1	0	5	0	63	182	0	1333
Diminution of category	757	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Replacement of foreign driver's license	24	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total of terminated requests	78634	4039	4932	21858	18	977	9	478	163	2985	815	2334

# Driver's licenses issued in 2006

		Driver's license			
Tallinn	285	26187	7118	148	33738
Kesklinn	42	6995	390	0	7427
Viljandi	11	2714	1343	42	4110
Pärnu	109	7387	2067	132	9695
Valga	14	1432	713	35	2194
Kärdla	5	606	190	24	825
Jōhvi	49	5073	1583	66	6771
Jögeva	2	1310	288	11	1611
Kuressaare	0	1723	706	27	2456
Rapla	6	2145	822	29	3002
Saue	33	3317	1848	77	5275
Maardu	4	745	47	0	796
Narva	14	2964	1510	59	4547
Põlva	19	1627	754	38	2438
Paide	42	2342	1299	51	3734
Rakvere	34	4007	1497	50	5588
Haapsalu	3	1240	449	28	1720
Tartu	115	8923	3267	129	12434
Võru	4	2250	976	49	3279
Total	791	82987	26867	995	111640

# Driving schools TOP 10 -Theory test pass rate 2006

# A: attempts over 300

		First attempt			
			Passed	2006	
1.	Kalju Autokool	361	328	90.9	
2.	Pärnu ATP AS	550	494	89.8	
3.	Aide AS	1131	958	84.7	
4.	Autosõit OÜ	542	459	84.7	
5.	Laplar OÜ	1044	869	83.2	
6.	Viltumägi OÜ	610	506	83	
7.	Radiant AS	729	601	82.4	
8.	Järva Autokool OÜ	436	358	82.1	
9.	Raul Kell Võrumaa Autokool	345	283	82	
10.	Haja Autokool OÜ	955	782	81.9	

# B: attempts from 101 to 300

1.	Tallinna Autobussikoondise AS	254	240	94.5
2.	Rool OÜ	164	154	93.9
3.	Viljandi Ühendatud Kutse- keskkool	138	128	92.8
4.	Alopex Autokool	260	240	92.3
5.	Mustamäe Autokool OÜ	116	107	92.2
6.	Testudo OÜ	225	195	86.7
7.	Overlin OÜ	216	182	84.3
8.	Niguliste Autokool OÜ	226	190	84.1
9.	Autokoolitus OÜ	270	225	83.3
10.	Kristiine Autokool OÜ	174	143	82.2

# C: attempts from 25 to 100

1.	Räpina Ühisgümnaasium	33	32	97
2.	Tallinna Trammi- ja Trollibussikoondis	29	28	96.6
3.	ABC Koolitus OÜ	65	61	93.8
4.	Türi Gümnaasium	31	29	93.5
5.	Tallinna Tehnikakõrgkool	27	25	92.6
6.	Järva-Jaani Gümnaasium	27	25	92.6
7.	Jüri Pärtel FIE	65	60	92.3
8.	Tōrva Gümnaasium	50	46	92
9.	Rüütli Autokool OÜ	25	23	92
10.	Helju Kalviku Harju Autom	83	75	90.4

# Driving schools TOP 10 -Practical driving test pass rate 2006

# A: attempts over 300

		First attempt		
			Passed	2006
1.	Raul Kell Võrumaa Autokool	343	272	79.3
2.	Pärnu ATP	548	424	77.4
3.	Võru Autom MTÜ	371	286	77:1
4.	Viltumägi OÜ	605	456	75.4
5.	Lääne-Virumaa Autokool	324	241	74.4
6.	Noorsoo Assotsiatsioon Kiirus	327	243	74.3
7.	Järva Autokool OÜ	413	305	73.8
8.	Kalju Autokool OÜ	351	252	71.8
9.	Viljandi Autom MTÜ	377	257	68.2
10.	Stalika-Veod OÜ	424	285	67.2

# B: attempts from 101 to 300

1.	Põlva Autom MTŬ	251	215	85.7
2.	Kursus ja Ko	186	153	82.3
3.	Kuressaare Ametikool	207	169	81.6
4.	Gardez OÜ	195	157	80.5
5.	Valga MAKD OÜ	114	91	79.8
6.	Põltsamaa Autom	122	97	79.5
7.	Valgamaa Kutseõppekeskus	118	93	78.8
8.	LRK Liiklusklubi	120	91	75.8
9.	Autokoolitus OÜ	271	204	75.3
10.	Viljandi Ühendatud Kutse- keskkool	163	121	74.2

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1.	Tallinna Trammi- ja Trollibussikoondise AS	29	29	100
2.	Räpina Ühisgümnaasium	58	56	96.6
З.	Oniks Pluss OÜ	39	36	92.3
4.	Heino Liblik FIE	30	27	90
5.	lisaku Gürnnaasium	30	26	86.7
6.	Järva-Jaani Gümnaasium	27	23	85.2
7.	Paide Kutsekeskkool	90	50	83.3
8.	ABC Koolitus OÜ	60	49	81.7
9.	ERK Autokool OÜ	68	54	79.4

# **GOALS FOR 2007**

In 2007, the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre will start to issue international driving licences. A driving licence looks like a pocketbook, in which the photo and data of the driving licence holder and vehicle categories are entered. The document is in several languages and alphabets (including Cyrillic, Chinese and Arabic). Everyone holding an Estonian driving licence can apply for an international driving licence. The international driving licence is useful for anyone planning to travel to a distant country.

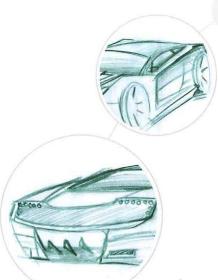
We will participate in many fairs and events to introduce the ARK innovations of information technology. We will spread our message on road safety and environmental sustainability, and introduce the motor vehicle registration centre as an attractive organisation with contemporary working conditions.

By examining drivers, we will contribute to enhancing Estonian road safety, using, for this purpose, technical solutions and proficient examiners. We will be actively involved in examiner training and continuous development of the field of examination.

We will move on with the work on road safety started in 2006 – we will visit schools across Estonia, organise publicity campaigns for young road users, recognise exemplary road users and be involved in the improvement of road safety in general.

We will continue with the development and implementation of innovative solutions to move towards faster and more transparent communication with customers. We will make many transactions more convenient for customers, using new IT solutions.

In the spring of 2007, the ARK Harju Bureau Saue Department will move into a new building located in the immediate vicinity of the existing building.



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# **OUTSTANDING EVENTS IN 2006**

#### October

In the first 10 months of 2006, the first registration of motor vehicles exceeded the record number of 2005. In particular, in the first 10 months 62,876 passenger cars were registered, 21,379 of which were at the moment of registration new ones. In 2005, a total of 60,626 passenger cars were registered, 19,643 of which were new ones.

In autumn, the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre detected several cases of falsification of motor vehicle driver's health certificates. For all the falsifications, it was an unauthorised change in the date of issue of the certificate. The falsifications became more frequent because the years 2000 and 2006 have a pretty similar spelling and changing a zero into a 6 needs no great effort.

The Paide City Government recognised remodelled houses and public buildings with a sign that read "Thanks to beauty," to which a bonus was added. The ARK achieved third place in the category of authorities and enterprises.

Several ARK examiners got acquainted with taking and organising examinations in the Netherlands, Finland and Germany.

# November

In November, the Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre was reflected in the media more than 80 times. In November, the ARK sent out 6 notices of which more than 80 newspaper articles or TV shows were created. Considering also radio publications, the ARK has attracted public attention more than 100 times. This is a record number of media publications for one month.

An ARK examiner discovered an act of fraud when, instead of the registered person, another person appeared to take a practical driving test. This problem is familiar to many examiners. In this case, the person who appeared to take the practical driving test brought along the driving licence applicant's documents, but he or she was not the driving licence applicant but a person with a similar appearance.

The Estonian Motor Vehicle Registration Centre and Viljandi Police went to verify the technical condition of vehicles for driving practice in Viljandi traffic schools, the existence of documentation and the order of paperwork. During the inspection, 6 vehicles for driving practice were verified. All vehicles were in good technical condition and the documents required for driving practice existed, but with four of the six vehicles for driving practice, a driving instructor had not properly filled out a student form.

On 22 November, the ARK Jōhvi Bureau was closed because of the theft of a communications cable. No transactions could be done, and there was no phone or Internet connection. Approximately 200 meters of cable were stolen. For the Jōhvi Bureau, it was a familiar problem – a similar theft had happened three months earlier. In addition to the ARK Jōhvi Bureau, the neighbouring authorities also had no communications link.

# December

In 2006, in Estonia, a total of 74,212 passenger cars, 9,933 trucks, 455 buses, 2,521 motorcycles, 7,649 trailers, 1,365 tractors, 864 non-road vehicles, 349 tractor trailers, 234 off-road vehicles, 1,284 recreational craft and 133 personal watercraft were first registered.

In 2006, a record number of examinations in recent years were taken, i.e. 43,519 theory and 45,089 practical driving tests. Likewise, a record number of provisional driving licences were issued – 26,867. During 2006, the total number of issued driving licences and certificates was as follows: 82,989 driving licences, 26,867 provisional driving licences, 2,337 boating licences and 5,932 other licences and certificates.