

Intermediate 3
Unit 4 Dialog
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Traffic Regulations

regulation = law, rule

A traffic cop follows Paul and orders him to pull over.

cop (informal) = police officer (formal)

order = command = tell somebody very seriously to do something

pull over ≠ pull out

pull over = to stop your car at the side of the road

Paul: Why did you stop me, officer?

Policeman: You know why? You were driving without a front license plate.

front ≠ back



license plate (American)

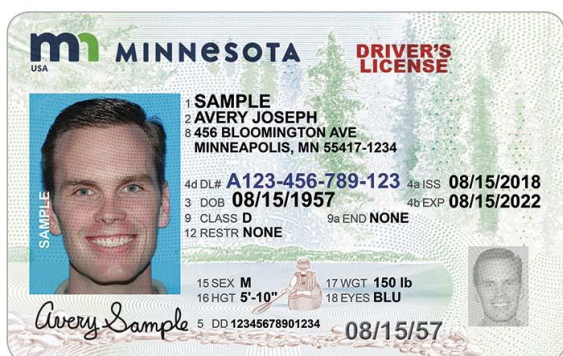
number plate (British)

Paul: I'm sorry, it fell off. I haven't had time to have someone fix it.

Policeman: Could I see your driver's license, please?

fall off = get detached

fix = repair, mend



driver's license (American)



driving license (British)

Paul: Well... er... it's at home, I'm afraid.

Policeman: Mmm. Your insurance? Is the car insured?

I'm afraid = I am sorry

insure (v.) = "Insure" means to protect yourself or your property against possible damage or loss by paying money to a company. If something bad happens, like an accident or theft, the company will give you money to help cover the costs. For example, you can insure your car so that if it gets damaged in an accident, the insurance company will help pay for the repairs.

insure sth against sth ⇨ *Mr. Roberts has insured his shop against fire and robbery.*

insurance (n.) = Insurance is a way to protect yourself financially. You pay a company a certain amount of money regularly, and in return, the company promises to help cover costs if something bad happens, like an accident, illness, or damage to your property

third party insurance = Third-party insurance is a type of insurance that covers you if you cause damage or injury to someone else or their property. It doesn't cover your own losses, but it helps pay for the other person's expenses. For example, if you have third-party car insurance and you accidentally hit another car, your insurance will help pay for the repairs to the other car, but not for your own car

Paul: Yes, but I don't have my insurance documents on me.

Policeman: Then bring your license and documents to the police station within seven days.

document = record

on me = with me

The Documents Needed to Drive a Car:

- Driver's License
- Registration
- Third Party Insurance
- Technical Inspection Certificate

then = so, therefore

within = in

The traffic police tows the car away.

tow = To "tow" something means to pull it behind another vehicle using a rope, chain, or similar device. For example, if a car breaks down, a tow truck might pull it to a repair shop

tow truck (American) = **breakdown car** (British) = A "tow truck" is a specialized vehicle used to move disabled, improperly parked, or otherwise indisposed vehicles.

tow line = tow rope = A "towline" is a rope, cable, or similar line used for towing something, such as a vehicle or a boat. For example, a towline might be used to pull a car that has broken down to a repair shop.

The police = The police force, not just one police officer

- *The police are trying to protect the citizens against the criminals.*

American	British
License Plate	Number Plate
Driver's License	Driving License
Tow Truck	Breakdown Car

Full Text:

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Paul: Yes, but I don't have my insurance documents on me.

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Sample Summary:

A traffic cop orders Paul to pull over for not having a front license plate. When the cop asks for his driver's license and insurance documents, Paul admits he doesn't have them with him. The policeman instructs Paul to present his license and insurance at the police station within a week. Finally, the traffic police tow Paul's car away due to the missing documents and license plate.

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