



This part is devoted to explaining the facts about driver's licenses, registration, traffic rules and accidents that you need to know when you own and use an automobile, motorbike, bicycle, etc.

## 1 Driver's license

### 1-1 In order to drive automobiles in Japan

You need a valid driver's license when you drive an automobile or ride a motorbike in Japan. You must always carry your driver's license when you drive or ride your vehicle. The following are driver's licenses valid in Japan.

#### ●Driver's licenses valid in Japan

- Driver's licenses acquired in Japan
- The International Driving Permit issued by signatory countries of the Geneva Convention
- Domestic driver's licenses of Germany, Switzerland, France Belgium, Taiwan and Italy ("foreign driver's licenses")