New to North Carolina?

With access to beaches and mountains, thriving job opportunities, and some of the nicest people you will ever meet, North Carolina is a great place to live.

Welcome to North Carolina! NC Farm Bureau Insurance agents are not only an excellent resource for sound insurance advice, but we can also help with a variety of local recommendations, including the best local BBQ spots. You see, we live and work in every community across North Carolina's 100 counties so we know all the ins and outs. We can help you secure auto insurance that is required as a North Carolina driver, as well as homeowners or renters insurance for your new home.

Checklist of Things to Do After Relocating to NC

Obtain Auto Liability Insurance



By law, North Carolina drivers must maintain auto liability insurance, as well as uninsured motorist coverage. When you obtain a North Carolina Driver License, and when you register your vehicle with the DMV, you must show proof of auto insurance so be sure to obtain that first. Use our **agent locator** (www.ncfbins.com/find-agent) to find a North Carolina Farm Bureau Insurance agent who can help you secure an auto policy.

Obtain Auto Liability Insurance



Within 60 days of establishing a permanent residence here, you must obtain a North Carolina Driver License. Written and road tests may be waived if you have a valid license from another state. It is still a good idea though, to familiarize yourself with the **North Carolina Driver Handbook** (www.ncdot.gov/dmv/license-id/driver-licenses/new-drivers/Documents/driver-handbook.pdf) so that you are aware of our state's road safety laws.

To apply for a North Carolina Driver License, you must visit a local DMV office, in person. Visit the **DMV website** (www.ncdot.gov/dmv/license-id/driver-licenses/new-drivers) for a detailed list of what to bring with you, including proof of auto liability insurance.

Title and Register Your Vehicle



After obtaining a North Carolina Driver License, new residents must also register their vehicle. This is how you will get your North Carolina license plate. You will need the title to your vehicle, or a registration card if your vehicle is financed. Visit www.ncdot.gov/dmv/title-registration vehicle for more information on what's required.

A Note on Vehicle Inspections: Although new residents can initially register vehicles without an inspection, North Carolina requires a vehicle inspection before you can renew your vehicle registration and license plates a year from now. Just a heads up that vehicle taxes, the license plate renewal, and the state inspection all come due at the same time each year. (The tax and tags are billed together; you will get the vehicle inspected separately).

Obtain Renters or Homeowners Insurance



Another item that you want to be sure to place on your relocation checklist is to secure homeowners or renters insurance to protect your home and personal items. At North Carolina Farm Bureau Insurance, you save money when purchasing your auto and home insurance policies at the same time. Visit www.ncfbins.com/find-agent to find an agent nearby who can help.