

Driving Lesson Checklist

Lesson 1: Vehicle Familiarization and Pre-Driving Knowledge

Vehicle Familiarization and Pre-Driving Knowledge	Date	Passed?	Comments
Understands common road signs			
Knows what documentation is needed (e.g., insurance and registration)			
Can complete pre-check (lights, tires, etc.)			
Knows where all safety features are located and how to use them			
Knows how to activate turn signals, headlights, etc.			
Adjusts mirrors and seat			
Wears seat belt			
Knows how to turn vehicle on and off			

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Lesson 2: Driving in an Empty Parking Lot

Driving in an Empty Parking Lot	Dates	Passed?	Comments
Putting the car in drive/reverse and entering/exiting standard parking spaces			
Accelerating and braking			
Turning			
Three-point turns			
Backing up			
Parallel parking			

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Lesson 3: Driving in Light Traffic Areas/Simple Roadways

Driving in Light Traffic Areas/Simple Roadways	Date	Passed?	Comments
Entering traffic			
Smoothly accelerates to the appropriate speed			
Notices pedestrians and bystanders			
Stops behind white line at red lights and stop signs			
Obeys traffic lights and signs			
Stops and accelerates smoothly			
Yields the right-of-way to pedestrians and cyclists			
Entering traffic from a turn			
Turning without a stop			
Turning with a gray arrow			
Maintaining appropriate speed for conditions			
Maintaining appropriate following distance			

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Lesson 4: Unfamiliar Roads and Increased Traffic

Unfamiliar Roads and Increased Traffic	Date	Passed?	Comments
U-turns			
Changing lanes			
Curving roads at higher speeds			
Being passed			
Smooth driving at speeds up to 60 mph			
Turning with multiple turn lanes			
Navigating one-way streets			
Sharing the road with motorcycles and commercial vehicles			
Entering and exiting busy roadways			

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Lesson 5: Highway/Interstate Driving

Highway/Interstate Driving	Date	Passed?	Comments
Entering the highway/merging			
Speeds up to 75 mph			
Using mirrors			
Adjusting follow distance to account for higher speeds			
Curves at high speeds			
Being passed			
Passing			
Changing lanes to pass and returning to appropriate lane			
Negotiating larger vehicles			
Moving over for emergency vehicles			
Exiting the highway			
Navigating and choosing the appropriate exit			

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Lesson 6: Driving at Night and in Challenging Environments

Driving at Night and in Challenging Environments	Date	Passed?	Comments
Defensive driving			
Maintaining spatial awareness			
Adapting to changing conditions (e.g., weather, traffic volume)			
Rush hour			
Adjusting for glare or reduced visibility			
Navigating construction zones			
Navigating school zones			
Driving on various surfaces (e.g., dirt, gravel, worn asphalt)			
Parking garages			
Tunnels			
Moving over for emergency vehicles			
Completes at least 10 hours of nighttime driving			