

# CALIFORNIA DRIVER'S EXAMINATION










(From the 2007 California Driver Handbook)

**Directions:** Study the handbook before you take the test.

Each question has three answer choices. Choose one answer and mark an X in the box across from the answer. **Do not talk while taking the test, use any books or notes, or leave the test area before your test has been graded. It may result in a test failure and you may be suspended or revoked.**

**PASSING GRADE — 6 OR FEWER ERRORS FOR ORIGINAL APPLICANTS  
3 OR FEWER ERRORS FOR RENEWAL APPLICANTS**

1. It is illegal for a person 21 years of age or older to drive with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) that is \_\_\_\_\_ or higher.
  - 0.08% - Eight hundredths of one percent ..... ☒
  - 0.10% - One tenth of one percent ..... ☐
  - 0.05% - Five hundredths of one percent ..... ☐
2. You must notify DMV within 5 days if you:
  - Sell or transfer your vehicle ..... ☒
  - Paint your vehicle a different color ..... ☐
  - Are cited for a traffic violation ..... ☐
3. When driving in fog, snow, or rain, you should use both your windshield wipers and:
  - Low-beam headlights ..... ☐ 40
  - High-beam headlights ..... ☒
  - Running lights ..... ☐
4. A peace officer is signaling you to drive to the edge of the roadway. You decide to ignore the officer's warning and flee the scene. You are guilty of a misdemeanor and can be punished by being:
  - Fined up to \$1000 ..... ☐ 72
  - Jailed in the county jail for not more than one year ..... ☐
  - Given a warning and a citation ..... ☒
5. You may legally park your car:
  - At the corner in an intersection ..... ☒
  - Across a sidewalk if you are partially in a driveway ..... ☐ 25
  - In a bicycle lane if there is no sign forbidding it ..... ☐
6. Your wheels should be pointed straight ahead, **unless** you are:
  - Waiting to make a left turn at a traffic light ..... ☒ 30
  - Parked on a hill or sloping driveway ..... ☐
  - Parked on the side of a level roadway and there is no curb ..... ☒
7. For which of the following traffic lights must you always stop your vehicle?
  - Solid red lights, flashing red lights, and blacked-out traffic signals. ☒
  - Solid red lights, red arrows, and flashing yellow lights ..... ☐
  - Solid red lights, flashing red lights, and yellow lights ..... ☐
8. You should stop before crossing railroad tracks:
  - Even when the railroad tracks are out-of-service ..... ☐
  - Any time a train may be approaching, whether or not you can see it ..... ☒
  - If your vehicle has three or more axles ..... ☐
9. When a traffic signal light isn't working at an intersection, you should:
  - Come to a complete stop, then proceed when it is safe ..... ☒
  - Stop before entering and let all other traffic go first ..... ☐
  - Slow down or stop, if necessary ..... ☐
10. You are driving in the far right lane of a multilane freeway. A line of five cars is merging into your lane ahead from an onramp. You:
  - Must maintain your speed and position ..... ☒ 37
  - Must slow down to let the other vehicles merge ..... ☐
  - Have the legal right-of-way, but should make room for the merging vehicles, if possible ..... ☐
11. The speed limit in any alley is:
  - 20 mph ..... ☐
  - 15 mph ..... ☒
  - 25 mph ..... ☐
12. You are driving in the far right lane of a four-lane freeway and notice thick broken white lines on the left side of your lane. You are driving in:
  - The carpool lane and must merge into the next lane ..... ☒ 24
  - A special lane for slow moving vehicles ..... ☐
  - An exit lane ..... ☐
13. The speed limit for a school zone where children are present is \_\_\_\_\_, unless otherwise posted.
  - 15 mph ..... ☐
  - 25 mph ..... ☒
  - 20 mph ..... ☐
14. Which of these statements is true about driving and taking medications?
  - Most cold medications can make a person drowsy ..... ☐ 76
  - Over-the-counter medications cannot impair driving ability if taken in the recommended dosages ..... ☐
  - Medications are safe to take at any time if prescribed by a doctor. ☒
15. Cargo extending more than four feet from your rear bumper:
  - Is illegal under all circumstances ..... ☐
  - Must be marked with a red flag or lights ..... ☒
  - Does not legally have to be marked, but it is a good idea ..... ☐
16. A pedestrian who is blind or visually impaired uses traffic sounds before deciding to cross the street. If you see a pedestrian with a guide dog or white cane waiting to cross at a corner, you should:
  - Stop at the crosswalk and honk your horn ..... ☐ 55
  - Drive into the crosswalk so the person can hear your engine ..... ☒
  - Pull up to the crosswalk so the person can hear your engine ..... ☐
17. You are required to wear your safety belt in a moving vehicle unless:
  - The vehicle was manufactured before 1975 ..... ☐
  - You are riding in the back of a pickup/camper ..... ☐
  - The vehicle is not equipped with safety belts, such as a bus ..... ☒
18. All of the following are dangerous while driving. Which is also illegal?
  - Wearing a headset that covers both ears ..... ☒
  - Having one or more interior lights on ..... ☐
  - Using cruise control on residential streets ..... ☐

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19. If you have a green light, but traffic is blocking the intersection:
- Stay out of the intersection until traffic clears ..... ☐ 018
  - Enter the intersection and wait until traffic clears..... ☐
  - Merge into another lane and try to go around the traffic ..... ☒
20. To turn left from a one-way street onto a one-way street, start from: 028
- The lane closest to the left curb ..... ☐
  - The center lane ..... ☐
  - Any lane as long as it seems safe to do so..... ☒
21. You must make a written report (SR 1) to DMV if you:
- Fail to pay your registration fees within 90 days of receiving your renewal notice..... ☐
  - Are involved in an accident and there is more than \$750 in damages..... ☒
  - Allow a licensed driver from another state drive your vehicle ..... ☐
22. Instructions from school crossing guards must be obeyed: 021
- At all times ..... ☐
  - During school hours only ..... ☐
  - Only when children are present in front of a school..... ☒
23. This sign means:
-  Railroad crossing is controlled—continue at your regular speed... ☐
-  Look, listen, and prepare to stop at the crossing, if necessary ..... ☒
-  Stop at the railroad tracks and wait for a signal before crossing .. ☐
24. You are on a two-way road and the vehicle ahead of you is turning left into a driveway. You may legally pass the vehicle on the right:
- If there is enough road between the curb and the vehicle ..... ☒
  - Even if you must drive in a bicycle lane to do so ..... ☐
  - Even if you must cross a solid white line painted on the road ..... ☐
25. To help you keep alert on long drives, you should:
- Pull off the road and rest..... ☒
  - Turn on your air conditioner ..... ☐
  - Alternately drive close to the left and right sides of your lane ..... ☐
26. If there is a deep puddle in the road ahead, you should:
- Maintain the posted speed to make it through the water ..... ☐
  - Steer your vehicle around the water, if possible ..... ☒
  - Shift into neutral as you drive through the water..... ☐
27. When you change lanes or merge with another lane, you:
- Have the right-of-way ..... ☐
  - Should first stop and check for cross traffic ..... ☐
  - Need at least a 4-second gap in traffic ..... ☒
28. You are getting ready to make a right turn. You should:
- Always stop before making a right turn ..... ☐
  - Signal during the last 100 feet before you turn ..... ☒
  - Slow down and signal as you start your turn ..... ☐
29. You are crossing an intersection and an emergency vehicle is approaching with a siren and flashing lights. You should:
- Stop immediately in the intersection until it passes ..... ☐
  - Pull to the right in the intersection and stop ..... ☐
  - Continue through the intersection, pull to the right, and stop..... ☒
30. This sign means you should:
-  Stop and check traffic both ways before proceeding ..... ☐
-  Give the right-of-way to traffic on the road you wish to enter or cross..... ☒
-  Keep a steady speed and check traffic both ways..... ☐
31. Which of the following is true about large trucks?
- Trucks have fewer blind spots due to the vehicle's height..... ☐
  - It is best to pass trucks very slowly and on the right side ..... ☐
  - Trucks often appear to travel slower because of their large size .. ☒
32. To be sure a lane is clear before you change lanes, you should:
- Look in your outside mirrors only ..... ☐ 024
  - Look over your shoulder into the lane you want to enter ..... ☒
  - Always turn your head and look over your right shoulder ..... ☒
33. Two vehicles are approaching an uncontrolled "T" intersection. One vehicle is on the through road and the other is on the road that ends. Who has the right-of-way at the intersection? 014
- The vehicle on the through road ..... ☐
  - The vehicle on the right..... ☒
  - The vehicle that arrives first ..... ☐
34. When you see this sign, you should:
-  Always stop at the crosswalk ..... ☐
-  Stop at the crosswalk until a crossing guard signals you to go..... ☐
-  Be prepared to stop if children are in the crosswalk ..... ☒
35. You should adjust your rearview and side mirrors:
- Before you get into the car..... ☒ 040
  - Before you start driving ..... ☐
  - After you start driving ..... ☐
36. Which of these statements is true about child passengers?
- Children 1 or older and over 20 pounds should ride in the front seat ☐
  - Children under age one should not ride in the front seat in airbag-equipped vehicles ..... ☒
  - The front seat is generally the safest place in the car for children six years of age and older..... ☐

**I certify under penalty of perjury that I personally answered these questions.**



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