Road Rules Study Guide

I. Traffic Lights

**RED = STOP, GREEN = GO**

- What is the sequence of a traffic light in descending order?
  
  Answer: Red, yellow and green.

- What does a green light mean?
  
  A. Proceed when safe.

- A green arrow showing with a red traffic light means?
  
  A. you may go ahead carefully in the direction shown by the arrow.

- A flashing red traffic light means?
  
  A. stop, look and yield before proceeding

- A flashing yellow signal light means?
  
  A. Always slow down

- A driver waiting to make a left turn when the traffic light turns green should
  
  A. turn only after there is no danger from oncoming vehicles

II. Vehicle Signal and Light

1. When you must signal before making a turn or change lane?
  
  A. At Least 100 feet

2. What should you do if your electric signals fail to operate?
  
  A. Use hand signals.

3. You must give a signal either by hand and arm or by a signal device?
  
  A. anytime you change lanes or prepare to make a turn

4. A Driver’s left hand extended upward means what?
  
  A. He is making a right turn

5. A Driver’s left handed straight out means what?
  
  A. He is making a left turn.

6. A Driver’s left hand extended downward means what?
  
  A. He is making a stop or slowing down.

7. When you must turn head light of your vehicle:
A. 30 minutes after sunset until 30 minutes before sunrise, any other time when persons or vehicles cannot be seen clearly for at least 1000 feet

8. What light you should use when driving in fog?
   A. Lower head light.

9. At night, a driver should dim your headlights when within:
   Answers: ● 500 feet = an oncoming motor vehicle.
   ● 300 feet = following a motor vehicle.

10. Why should we drive slower at night?
    A. The distance which you can see ahead is less.

11. If blinded by an approaching motor vehicle at night, it is best to:
    A. slow down and avoid looking directly into the lights of the approaching vehicle

12. When should you use your high beam lights?
    A. Open country driving situations.

III. Signs
● What does a red and white triangular sign mean?
   A. Yield
● What does a red eight-sided sign mean?
   A. Stop
● What is a yellow diamond-shaped sign mean?
   A. Warning or caution
● What are white and black square and rectangle signs?
   A. Notification of law and regulation.

IV. Safety tips and Responsibility
1. You move you must report your change of address to the Department of Public Safety within
   A. 30 days
2. If you are teaching a beginner to drive, you must
   A. Be a Texan driver more than 1 year and over 21 years old
3. What is the age minimum for obtaining a moped license?
   A. 15 years old
4. You can practice driving with a valid learner’ s permit:
5. What papers must you have when operating a motor vehicle?
   A. License, insurance, yearly registration and inspection sticker

6. As a driver, what traffic violations become a part of your permanent record in Austin?
   A. all moving violations on which you are convicted

7. When choosing your driving speed, the most important thing to consider is
   A. the condition of the weather, traffic, road, car, and driver

8. If you damage an unattended vehicle you must
   A. located the owner or leave a signed statement on the vehicle

9. If you have an accident in which someone is injured, you should
   A. carefully help anyone who might be hurt and send for skilled help as quickly as possible

10. You may lawfully allow an object to extend beyond your vehicle:
    Answers: 1) 3 inches from the Left
     2) 6 inches from the Right

11. When approaching an intersection, bridge or railroad crossing, you should never drive on the left half of the roadway when within
    A. 100 feet

12. When you are caught behind a very slow truck going up a long hill, you should
    A. stay behind the truck until you reach the top of the hill and the way is clear

13. When is the road surface most slippery?
    A. During the first few minutes of rain

14. If you run off the pavement, you should:
    A. steer straight and slow down before attempting to return to the pavement

15. If you want to return to the road from a dirt shoulder:
    A. Slow down, then slide your wheels to climb the pavement edge.

V. SEATBELT
   • Why should you use safety seat & shoulder belts?
     A. They increase your chances of surviving an accident.
   • One of the best defenses against drunk drivers is?
     A. Proper wearing of safety belt.
   • Who required to use seat belt?
A. all occupants.

● Child passenger safety seats are required for all children under the age of

A. 5 years

VI. VIOLATIONS

● Who is responsible if a student commits a traffic offense?

A. Both the student and the instructor of licensed driver.

● Common traffic violations = $200 approximate

Like: Speeding, impending traffics, no license, no insurance, run red light/ stop sign, use of cell phone in school zones, no seat belt, no child safety seat…..

VII. Yield and Right of Way

● When you hear a siren coming, you should

A. yield to the emergency vehicle

● What must you do if a school bus is stopped and its red lights are flashing?

A. Stop.

● What should be done if two cars enter an uncontrolled intersection simultaneously?

A. The driver on the left must yield to the driver on the right.

● If two cars reach a four-way stop at the same time, what is the procedure?

A. The driver on the left yields to the driver on the right.

● When entering a street from a private alley or driveway, you must

A. yield to approaching vehicles and pedestrians

● You should always yield to:

A. Other vehicles already in the intersection, pedestrians and emergency vehicles.

VIII. Parking, stopping

● How close you may park near crosswalk, stop sign, yield sign?

A. 30 feet away.

● How close you may not park the vehicle closer from corner and intersection?

A. 20 feet

● How close may you park to a fire hydrant?

A. 15 feet

● The most important thing in backing a motor vehicle is
A. looking back carefully

- When parking parallel, it is best to leave the curb side wheels
  A. 6 to 18 inches from the curb
- cars parked on the side of a highway at night should show
  A. interior lights only

IX. Pedestrian, Intersection

- It is violation of state law for pedestrians to
  A. stand in the roadway for purposes of soliciting a ride
- What does a single solid white line across an intersection Mean?
  A. You should stop behind the line for a traffic sign or signal.
- What do two parallel white lines across the road mean?
  A. Pedestrian crosswalk
- If you must walk on the highway, you should
  A. walk on the left side in order to watch approaching vehicles
- When possible, pedestrians should walk
  A. on a sidewalk
- When a pedestrian walks out for into the street in violation of the law, you should
  A. yield the right of way to avoid injuring him
- When a vehicle ahead of you stops to let a pedestrian pass in front of it, you should
  A. stay in line and wait until the vehicle ahead proceeds.
- What is an uncontrolled intersection?
  A. One where are no traffic signs or signals.
- What direction should you check first when approaching an intersection?
  A. To the left
- Motorists must stop at least 15 feet from the railroad crossing when there are flashing lights or flag signals.

X. Lane

- On multiple lane highways slow drivers should drive
  A. in the right hand lane
- When turning left from a three lane, one way street, you should turn from the
  A. left lane
• What is an acceleration (fast) lane?
  A. An extra lane provided at the entrance to an expressway
• As you near an intersection, you discover you are in the wrong lane for turning right as intended therefore, you should
  A. drive on ahead until you can get into the proper lane, then turn at another intersection
• What should you do if you miss an exit on an expressway?
  A. Go on to the next exit. Do not reverse or back up.

XII. Passing and being passed
• After overtaking another motor vehicle on a two-lane road, you can best judge when it is safe to drive back into the right-hand lane by
  A. waiting until you can see the overtaken vehicle in your rearview mirror
• If you are driving at the speed limit and another driver sounds his horn and starts to pass, you should?
  A. Slow down and allow him to pass
• If you are being passed, you should?
  A. keep in your lane
• What is a good rule for adjusting speed in traffic?
  A. Try to follow the traffic flow.

XII. Stopping distance for following the vehicle
• It is a good practice to keep a space cushion to?
  A. Give you time to react.
• What does the word "tailgating" mean?
  A. Driving too close to the vehicle in front.
• What is time following the vehicle?
  A. At least 2 second
• What is the stopping distance when running the vehicle?

Answers:
  1. 10 MPH = 20 feet
  2. 20 MPH = 63 feet
  3. 50 MPH = 229 feet
4. 70 MPH = 387 feet

- At 20 miles per hour the driver, from the moment he sees danger until he hits the brake, will travel about?
  A. 44 feet

**XIII. Suspension of license**

- Causing a serious accident, habitual reckless driving, hit and run, second time of running school bus stop for pick up and drop off children, driving and drunk, refusing blood and alcohol test from a traffic officer.
- If your driver's license is suspended you may drive only.
  A. if you obtain an essential need driver's license
- What is a Habitual Offender?
  A. Any person whose license has been suspended 3 times in one year
- What is a Habitual reckless driving?
  A. A Driver violates more than 3 times of traffic violations
- Result from refusing to take a breath test and blood test from the traffic officer?
  A. 180 days of license suspension

**IX. Drug and Alcohol used**

1. In Texas, persons considered under the influence when their BAC is.
   A. .08%
2. Driving while under the influence of intoxicating beverage means?
   A. The driver shows obvious signs of being drunk.
3. What are some telltale signs of a drunk driver?
   A. Speeding, weaving, slow driving, jerking motion and quick stops, no signal, no head light
4. Alcohol affects a Driver by
   A. Slowing down reaction time and impairing perception, interfering with concentration and dulling judgment and emotions become unstable
5. Marijuana use will?
   A. adversely affect a driver's concentration, judgment, and perceptual skills
6. If you run over and kill someone while driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor, the worst offense with which you may be charged is?
   A. involuntary manslaughter

7. The first conviction penalty for driving while under the influence of alcohol or drug is:
   A. $2000 fine and 72hours-180 days in jail 90 days-365 days drivers license suspension

8. What does BAC stand for?
   A. Blood Alcohol Concentration

9. Whether your blood alcohol raises above the legal limit depends on:
   A. How fast you drink, your weight and the amount you drink

10. A 12 ounce can of beer has as much alcohol in it as:
    A. 5 ounces of wine or 1 half oz of 86 proof whiskey

11. Use of Marijuana will:
    B. A. adversely affect drivers’ concentration, judgment, and perceptual skills

12. Drugs that effect basic driving skills are?
    A. Cold pills, tranquilizers and some prescription drugs

13. Heavy amphetamine used will cause drivers?
    A. Less coordinates and more lightly involve in the accidents

14. When you are taking medicine prescribed for you by a doctor you should?
    A. ask your doctor if it is safe for you to drive.

15. The best way to reduce your chances of having an alcohol-related accident is to:
    A. Don’t drive at all after drinking.