

CHECKLIST—SKILLS FOR PASSING A ROAD TEST

Skills Required

- Complete stops at the correct position at “STOP” signed intersections
- Shoulder checking every time you move the vehicle laterally
- Slow speed manoeuvres (backing; stall parking; 2-point reverse turn; parallel parking; “U” turn)
- Speed Management: either the posted speed limit or the flow of traffic, which ever is less
- Space Management: maintain a *minimum* 2-3 second following distance from other vehicles

Weeks Prior to Road Test

- Practice, practice, practice!
- Take some driving lessons. Driving instructors teach new drivers how to pass a road test every day.
- If you don’t take driving lessons, hire a driving instructor to do a mock test. S/he will identify the skill you’re lacking to pass a road test.

Road Test Day

- Get a good night’s rest
- Eat breakfast
- Breath – by pulling air into your belly button, it forces you to relax
- Go for a warm-up drive of 15-25 minutes
- Bring paperwork (licence; secondary piece of identification; money)
- Do a pre-trip inspection of the vehicle

Back into parking space at licence centre.
It is much easier to drive out forward
when you’re nervous!

At the Licencing Centre

- Arrive 30-40 minutes early at the test centre to give yourself time to check-in!
- Check in at the licencing office immediately upon arriving.
- Go for a little walk around the parking lot; don’t sit in the vehicle. Don’t wander too far in case the examiner is looking for you

Nothing succeeds like success—practice, practice, practice driving. The more driving time you get prior to your road test, the more comfortable & competent you’re going to be.