

Information about the Class 5 Road Test for New Drivers

Road Test Locations

For a listing of registry agents and the class of road tests they provide, visit: <http://www.servicealberta.ca/1641.cfm> . The Registry Agent locations for road tests are based on the availability of driver examiners and are subject to change. Service charges and wait times for road tests vary by location so you are encouraged to compare locations before booking a road test.

What activities will I do during my road test?

The road test is about 25 to 30 minutes long, including instructions and feedback. You are required to know and demonstrate:

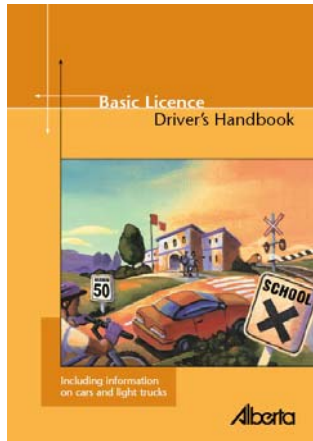
- how to identify and operate the vehicle controls
- how to do right and left turns legally and safely
- school and/or playground zone times and speed limits
- how to parallel park
- how to hill park (up or down)
- proper lane changing
- how to manage controlled and uncontrolled intersections

The road test will run the full time unless the Examiner feels that your safety, or the safety of others, is at risk. For example, if you do not show good judgment of time and distance when turning left in front of oncoming traffic, the test may be stopped.

Who is my Examiner?

- The **Examiner** will introduce him/herself **and** provide proof of identification, when requested.
- All Driver Examiners are licensed by Alberta Transportation under the Driver Training and Driver Examination Regulation. They are monitored to ensure they provide high quality road tests. They should be courteous and professional, keeping conversation at all times relevant to the road test.

What do I bring for my road test?



- You must have your Learner's licence. If you have a temporary licence (non-photo) then you must also provide acceptable photo ID.
- Wear clothing that is practical for driving and comfort. It should be appropriate for the weather conditions (in case your vehicle breaks down and you have to wait or walk).
- Payment for the test must be made to the Registry office. A receipt will be provided when requested.
- For more information about the road test refer to the Basic Licence Driver's Handbook, pages 19 to 21.

Vehicle for the Road Test

The vehicle for your road test must meet all legal requirements, be in good mechanical condition. The driver examiner will check the vehicle to ensure that the following components are operational:

- a valid licence plate and insurance
- brake lights and signal lights
- horn
- speedometer
- brakes / park brake
- unobstructed windshield / wipers
- tires are in good condition
- driver and passenger doors
- vehicle seats / seat belts
- exhaust system / muffler
- mirrors
- enough fuel for a road test

What will happen during the road test?

Before Driving ...

If you have any questions or concerns about the road test, please ask before you begin the road test.

A **Driver Examination Checklist** will be completed by the Examiner. This document will contain the following information:

- student name
- class of licence being tested
- operator's licence number
- testing location
- date of road test
- vehicle licence plate number
- time test commenced and completed
- Examiner's signature, and Examiner number

The Examiner will do a vehicle check with you. You will be in the driver's seat and the examiner will ask you to assist in checking the signal and brake lights, horn, brakes, and steering. You will be asked to describe and demonstrate two of the instruments or controls inside the vehicle, such as the hazard lights and windshield wipers. The Examiner will provide information before you move the vehicle about the route and the instructions that you will be given during the test.

While Driving ...

- You will be given ample instruction in advance for each manoeuvre and activity.
- Points will be assigned for errors. You will be allowed a maximum of 75 points to pass the road test. You must not do anything that is considered unlawful, dangerous, or unsafe, (for example, speeding or not stopping at a stop sign).
- The Examiner will not try to trick you.
- The Examiner will not ask you to do anything illegal.
- When the road test is finished, the Examiner will highlight the areas you performed well, as well as the areas you need to improve upon. The points for errors will be explained at this time.

What do I do when I pass my road test?

The Examiner will give you a copy of the Driver Examination Checklist form. You will also be given a copy of the Test Permit. This will indicate that you have passed. Take this permit, along with your learner's licence, to any Alberta Registry Agent to have your licence changed to a Class 5 Probationary Licence. There will be a fee for this service.

What do I do if I do not pass my road test?

The Examiner will give you a copy of the Driver Examination Checklist form. This form will indicate that you have not passed. Keep the form and bring it to your next road test. You may not take another road test on the same day.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your test and results, please ask your Examiner at the end of the road test.

If you have any issues or concerns regarding any of the topics covered in this fact sheet, or your road test, please contact a Driver Programs Administrator at Alberta Transportation. Contact:

Alberta Transportation
North Region - north of Red Deer
Phone: 780 427-8901

Alberta Transportation
South Region - Red Deer and south
Phone: 403 297-6679

Call toll free by first dialing 310-0000 from anywhere in Alberta.

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