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Driver knowledge test now available in ten languages

People seeking to obtain an Alberta Class 7 learner driver's licence can now take the knowledge test in one of ten languages.

- In Alberta, the electronic driver knowledge test is available in Arabic, Chinese (Traditional), Farsi, French, Hindi, Punjabi, Spanish, Tagalog (Philippines), and Vietnamese in addition to English.
- The electronic tests are available at more than 200 registry agent offices throughout the province. The \$17 test fee is the same for all ten languages. Those wishing to take the test in a language other than these ten need to supply an approved translator at their own expense, typically an additional \$75 to \$100.
- An audio test is available in English for a \$30 fee for those who understand spoken English or have difficulty reading.
- The test is available at over 200 registry agents across Alberta. Visit <u>www.servicealberta.gov.ab.ca</u> for a list of registry agents.
- To ensure test's integrity, the test system randomly selects 30 questions from a pool of questions for each individual test.
- Those taking the test must answer a minimum 25 of the 30 questions correctly in order to pass, regardless of which language they take the test in. The test has no time limit.
- Those failing the test must wait one day before taking the test again. People may take the test as many times as they required at a cost of \$17 for each test.
- All Class 7 knowledge tests are based on material from the **Driver's Guide to Operation, Safety and Licensing** which is available at <u>http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/531.htm</u> or at any Registry Agent office.
- Government provides the driver's handbook in English and in French. Government has worked with various groups to translate the handbook and into other languages at these groups' expense. To obtain a list of the publications and availability refer to this document; <u>Retailers for the Basic Licence Driver's Handbook in Selected Languages</u> (pdf 239.7 KB)