




### What is a restricted driver's license?

- A restricted driver's license gives applicants some mobility while only allowing them to safely operate a motor vehicle within their abilities.
- The skills test route is designed around the applicants intended area of travel.

### Other important information

- If you do not have a valid driver's license, you are not allowed to drive yourself to the skills test.
- A passenger may ride in the vehicle during the skills test if they are a translator, parent or legal guardian, missionary companion or law enforcement as long as the liability waiver is signed
- A service dog may accompany the applicant on the skills test if needed.
- Cell phones and other electronic devices must be turned off during the skills test.

 The entire skills test is 20 - 40 minutes long and consists of the Applicant Vehicle Knowledge & Inspections Section and the Driving Skills Section.

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### What must I do to pass the skills test?

- You must not have more than 12 errors, or commit a critical driving error.
- Five errors of the same skill is considered a critical driving error and is an automatic fail.

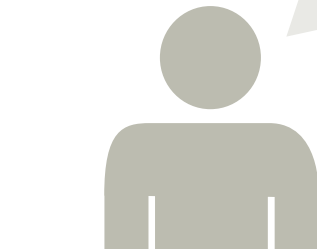
### When you pass the skills test, you must:

- Return to the county DMV with your sealed unopened envelope
- Pay the appropriate fees. Then a driver's license will be issued to you.

### If you fail the skills test, you must:

- Wait three days to schedule another skills test with the same or a different skills test examiner.
- Pay the county DMV fee and obtain another skills test receipt.
- Pay the skills test examiner the remainder of the skills test fee.

*What if I fail?*



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# Noncommercial (Class D) Skills Test Guide



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### Got skills?

A guide to taking the Noncommercial  
(Class D) Skills Test.



### What is the purpose of the skills test?

To ensure future Idaho driver's license holders are:

- Able to take a skills test in a reasonable amount of time and distance from their home
- Administered a valid and reliable skills test
- Able to demonstrate the required skills and abilities to safely operate a motor vehicle

**You must pass the Class D knowledge test before taking the Class D skills test except for those under 17 years of age that are on a supervised instruction permit (SIP).**

### Who is required to take a skills test?

Skills tests are required for applicants who have:

- Never been licensed before.
- Completed an approved driver's training course and the SIP (under 17) (Skills test eligibility dates are strictly enforced).
- Been driving on an instruction permit (17 years of age or older) and want to become a licensed driver).
- Been required by a medical or vision professional.
- Been required to take a reoccurring skills test.
- A foreign driver's license if there is no reciprocity agreement between the United States and the driver's country.

- An Idaho or out-of-state driver's license that has been expired 25 months or more (does not apply to Commercial Driver's Licenses (CDL)).

### Skills tests may also be required for applicants who have:

- Any mental or physical impairment that might affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle.
- When a county agent has concerns about an applicant's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle

### Helpful hints when scheduling an appointment with a skills test examiner:

- Contact the skills test examiner of your choice (8 a.m. to 8 p.m.).
- If the skills test examiner cannot be reached, leave a voicemail with your name and phone number.
- They will not be able to return calls unless a voicemail with your information is provided (8 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

### How do I prepare for a skills test:

- Study the Idaho Driver's Handbook.
- The handbook is available at the county DMV or online at [itd.idaho.gov/dmv](http://itd.idaho.gov/dmv)



What skills are on the test?



### Driving Skills

The applicant will be required to demonstrate the ability to safely operate a motor vehicle over a predetermined route containing a variety of traffic situations. There are three categories:

- Driving
- Parking
- Stopping

### Scored Skills

- Acceleration
- Attentive
- Complete stop
- Curb
- Deceleration
- Gap or stop line
- Lane position
- Right-of-way
- Signal
- Spacing
- Speed
- Steering control
- Traffic check
- Unnecessary stop

### Critical Driving Errors

A driving skill performed or not performed that may result in an incident, injury or death. If a CDE occurs anywhere on the route, the error constitutes as an automatic FAIL and the skills test ends immediately. The critical driving errors are:

- Dangerous action
- Disobeys emergency/safety vehicle
- Disobeys police or safety personnel
- Disobeys traffic sign/signal
- Drives up onto curb or sidewalk
- Habitual violation (5 of the same skill)
- Intervention by or disobeys skills test examiner
- Lane violation
- Passenger interference
- Speed (>10 mph or unsafe)
- Street curb parking > 18 inches
- Strikes object

Are you ready?

### Applicant Vehicle Knowledge and Inspection

The applicant vehicle knowledge and inspection section consists of items that must be located and or demonstrated by the applicant and meet standards.

*If the required items do not meet standards or the applicant fails to locate and or demonstrate the items in **\*bold** below the skills test will not continue.*

- **Driver door\***
- **Driver seatbelt\***
- **Brake/pedal lights\***
- **Turn Signals front/back\***
- **Headlights\***
- **Windshield wipers\***
- **Hazards/emergency lights\***
- **Driver window\***
- **Horn\***
- Arm signals
- Defroster/defogger
- Emergency/parking brake

*\*Must be functioning according to Idaho Code or is required by the Idaho Transportation Department for safety reasons.*