

California DMV permit practice test 7

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25 questions. Circle one answer for each. Answer key on the last page. Name: _____ Score: _____ / 25

1. Is it legal to park in the crosshatched (diagonal lines) area next to a disabled parking space?

- A. Yes, for up to 15 minutes
- B. No
- C. Yes, if you have a disabled placard
- D. Only at night

2. Which of these is a legal place to park?

- A. In a space marked for zero-emission vehicles when you drive a gasoline car
- B. Along a curb 25 feet from a crosswalk with no signs or colored curb
- C. Between a safety zone and the curb
- D. Double parked

3. A vehicle stopped, parked, or left on a freeway may be removed after more than:

- A. 24 hours
- B. One hour
- C. Four hours
- D. Eight hours

4. Before getting out of your car after parallel parking, you should:

- A. Look carefully for passing vehicles, bicycles, and motorcycles
- B. Leave your turn signal on
- C. Turn your wheels away from the curb
- D. Honk your horn

5. Which lane on a multilane road is the passing lane?

- A. The shoulder
- B. Any lane with broken lines
- C. The far-right lane
- D. The far-left lane, closest to the center divider

6. When may you drive in a bicycle lane?

- A. During rush hour
- B. To pass slow traffic
- C. Whenever no bicyclists are present
- D. When parking where permitted, entering or leaving the road, or turning within 200 feet of an intersection

7. Large trucks on a divided highway with four or more lanes in one direction may be driven:

- A. In any lane
- B. Only in the two lanes farthest to the right
- C. Only in the center lanes
- D. Only in the left lane

8. You are driving slower than other traffic on a multilane road. Which lane should you use?

- A. The center lane
- B. The left lane
- C. The right lane
- D. Any lane

9. A school bus ahead is stopped with its red lights flashing. You are on a two-lane road behind it. You must:

- A. Stop, then proceed when no children are visible
- B. Stop and remain stopped until the children are across and the red lights stop flashing
- C. Honk and pass on the left
- D. Pass slowly at 10 mph

10. If you fail to stop for a school bus with flashing red lights, you may be fined up to:

- A. \$250
- B. \$500
- C. \$1,000
- D. \$2,000

11. You do not need to stop for a school bus with flashing red lights when:

- A. It is on the other side of a divided or multilane highway with two or more lanes in each direction
- B. No children are visible
- C. It is after school hours
- D. You are in a hurry

12. A school bus is flashing yellow lights. This means:

- A. The bus is broken down
- B. The bus is preparing to stop to let children off; slow down and prepare to stop
- C. You may pass at any speed
- D. The bus is leaving

13. An ambulance with its siren and red lights on is approaching from behind. You should:

- A. Stop immediately in your lane
- B. Pull to the left
- C. Speed up to clear the way
- D. Drive to the right edge of the road and stop until it has passed

14. It is against the law to follow within how many feet of a fire engine, police vehicle, or ambulance using its siren or flashing lights?

- A. 500 feet
- B. 200 feet
- C. 100 feet

D. 300 feet

15. What can happen if you drive to the scene of a fire, collision, or other disaster just to look?

- A. You will be asked to help
- B. You can be arrested
- C. Nothing, if you stay in your car
- D. You must pay a parking fee

16. You approach a tow truck stopped on the shoulder with flashing amber lights. You should:

- A. Honk as you pass
- B. Maintain your speed and lane
- C. Stop behind the tow truck
- D. Move over and slow down

17. Fines for traffic violations in a highway work zone can be:

- A. \$1,000 or more
- B. \$100 or less
- C. Waived if no one was hurt
- D. \$500

18. Anyone convicted of assaulting a highway worker faces:

- A. A license point only
- B. Fines up to \$2,000 and up to one year in jail
- C. A \$100 fine only
- D. A warning

19. When are traffic fines doubled in highway construction or maintenance zones?

- A. Only at night
- B. Only on weekends
- C. When workers are present
- D. Always

20. When driving through a work zone you should:

- A. Change lanes across the cones
- B. Follow the vehicle ahead closely
- C. Speed up to get through quickly
- D. Slow down, leave extra space, and obey flaggers

21. Is lane splitting (sharing a lane with a motorcycle) legal in California?

- A. No, it is illegal
- B. Yes, it is legal
- C. Only for police motorcycles
- D. Only on freeways at night

22. What following distance should you allow behind a motorcycle?

- A. Three seconds
- B. One second
- C. One car length
- D. Two seconds

23. Should you ever try to pass a motorcycle in the same lane as you?

- A. No, never
- B. Yes, if the motorcycle is slow
- C. Yes, if there is three feet of room
- D. Only on multilane roads

24. A bicyclist under 18 riding on the road must:

- A. Use a bike lane only
- B. Wear a helmet
- C. Ride against traffic
- D. Ride on the sidewalk

25. In which direction must bicyclists ride on the road?

- A. In the same direction as traffic
- B. Against traffic so they can see cars
- C. Whichever direction is safer
- D. In the center of the lane only

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1. B: No

Never park in the crosshatched area next to a designated disabled parking space; it is needed for access. (Illegal Parking, page 28)

2. B: Along a curb 25 feet from a crosswalk with no signs or colored curb

Parking 25 feet from a crosswalk is outside the 20-foot limit. The other choices are listed as illegal parking. (Illegal Parking, page 28)

3. C: Four hours

A vehicle stopped, parked, or left standing on a freeway for more than four hours may be removed. (Illegal Parking, page 29)

4. A: Look carefully for passing vehicles, bicycles, and motorcycles

Turn off the vehicle, set the parking brake, and look carefully for passing vehicles, bicycles, and motorcycles before you exit. (Parallel Parking, page 26)

5. D: The far-left lane, closest to the center divider

On a multilane road, the passing lane is the far-left lane, closest to the center divider. (Types of Lanes: Passing Lanes, page 15)

6. D: When parking where permitted, entering or leaving the road, or turning within 200 feet of an intersection

It is illegal to drive in a bicycle lane unless you are parking (where permitted), entering or leaving the road, or turning within 200 feet of an intersection. (Bicycle Lanes, page 17)

7. B: Only in the two lanes farthest to the right

On a divided highway with four or more lanes in one direction, large vehicles and trucks may be driven in the two lanes farthest to the right. (Sharing the Road: Maneuvering, page 43)

8. C: The right lane

If you choose to drive slower than other traffic, drive in the right lane. When someone wants to go faster behind you, move to the right. (Heavy Traffic or Bad Weather, page 50)

9. B: Stop and remain stopped until the children are across and the red lights stop flashing

When a school bus flashes red lights, you must stop from either direction and remain stopped until the children are safely across and the lights stop flashing. (Around Children, page 51)

10. C: \$1,000

Failing to stop can bring a fine of up to \$1,000, and your driving privilege could be suspended for one year. (Around Children, page 51)

11. A: It is on the other side of a divided or multilane highway with two or more lanes in each direction

If the school bus is on the other side of a divided or multilane highway (two or more lanes in each direction), you do not need to stop. (Around Children, page 51)

12. B: The bus is preparing to stop to let children off; slow down and prepare to stop

Some school buses flash yellow lights when preparing to stop. The yellow lights warn you to slow down and prepare to stop. (Around Children, page 50)

13. D: Drive to the right edge of the road and stop until it has passed

Give the right-of-way to emergency vehicles using a siren and red lights. Drive to the right edge of the road and stop until they have passed. (Emergency Vehicles, page 45)

14. D: 300 feet

It is against the law to follow within 300 feet of any emergency vehicle when its siren or flashing lights are on. (Emergency Vehicles, page 45)

15. B: You can be arrested

You can be arrested for driving to the scene of a fire, collision, or disaster, because you get in the way of emergency personnel. (Emergency Vehicles, page 45)

16. D: Move over and slow down

Drivers must move over and slow down for stationary emergency vehicles or tow trucks displaying flashing amber warning lights. (Move Over and Slow Down, page 49)

17. A: \$1,000 or more

Fines for traffic violations in a work zone can be \$1,000 or more. (Fines and Double Fine Zones, page 49)

18. B: Fines up to \$2,000 and up to one year in jail

A person convicted of assaulting a highway worker faces fines of up to \$2,000 and imprisonment for up to one year. (Fines and Double Fine Zones, page 49)

19. C: When workers are present

Fines are doubled in highway construction or maintenance zones when workers are present, and in designated Safety Enhanced-Double Fine Zones. (Fines and Double Fine Zones, page 49)

20. D: Slow down, leave extra space, and obey flaggers

In a work zone, slow down, allow extra space, expect sudden stops, watch for lane changes, avoid distractions, and obey workers such as flaggers. (Road Workers and Work Zones, page 49)

21. B: Yes, it is legal

The handbook states it is legal to share lanes with motorcycles, which is known as lane splitting. Give motorcycles the full lane whenever possible. (Motorcycles, page 44)

22. A: Three seconds

Allow a safe three-second following distance so you can avoid hitting a motorcyclist who brakes suddenly or falls. (Motorcycles, page 44)

23. A: No, never

Never try to pass a motorcycle in the same lane as you. (Motorcycles, page 44)

24. B: Wear a helmet

Bicyclists under 18 years old must wear a helmet. (Bicyclist Responsibilities, page 47)

25. A: In the same direction as traffic

Bicyclists must ride in the same direction as traffic. (Bicyclist Responsibilities, page 47)