

Connecticut DMV permit practice test 1

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

1. What is the minimum age to get a learner's permit in Connecticut?

- A. 15½
- B. 15
- C. 16
- D. 17

2. How many questions are on the Connecticut learner's permit knowledge test, and how many must you answer correctly?

- A. 30 questions, 24 correct
- B. 50 questions, 40 correct
- C. 25 questions, 20 correct
- D. 20 questions, 16 correct

3. How long is a Connecticut learner's permit valid?

- A. Until your 18th birthday
- B. 90 days
- C. Until you get a license or 2 years from issue, whichever comes first
- D. 1 year

4. What is the minimum vision requirement for a Connecticut driver's license?

- A. 20/40, with or without glasses or contact lenses
- B. 20/50 in at least one eye
- C. 20/70 with glasses
- D. 20/20 in both eyes

5. Who must take the 8-hour Safe Driving Practices course before getting a Connecticut license?

- A. Only drivers who fail the road test
- B. Only drivers under 18
- C. Anyone who has not previously held a Connecticut license and does not hold a valid license from another state
- D. Only drivers over 65

6. Where must the person giving instruction to a learner's permit holder sit?

- A. In the back seat directly behind the driver
- B. Outside the vehicle, giving hand signals
- C. In the front passenger seat next to the learner
- D. Anywhere in the vehicle

7. A 16-year-old learner's permit holder practices with a family friend. What must be true of that trainer?

- A. At least 21 and licensed for 2 years
- B. At least 25 with a clean record for 10 years
- C. At least 18 and licensed for 1 year
- D. At least 20, licensed for 4 or more consecutive years, with no suspension in the last 4 years

8. How much behind-the-wheel, on-the-road training must all 16- and 17-year-old license applicants have?

- A. 20 hours
- B. 30 hours
- C. 50 hours
- D. 40 hours

9. A 16-year-old completes driver education at a commercial driving school. How long must they hold the learner's permit before the road test?

- A. 90 days
- B. 1 year
- C. 180 days
- D. 120 days

10. A 16-year-old is trained at home rather than by a driving school or high school program. How long must they hold the permit before the road test?

- A. 180 days
- B. 120 days
- C. 90 days
- D. 270 days

11. How long must a person 18 or older hold a learner's permit before taking the road test?

- A. 180 days
- B. 60 days
- C. 90 days
- D. 30 days

12. How much training must a parent or legal guardian of a 16- or 17-year-old permit holder complete?

- A. Eight hours of classroom training
- B. Forty hours of supervised driving
- C. Two hours of instruction on teen driving laws and dangers
- D. None

13. During the first six months after getting a license, which passenger may a 16-year-old driver carry?

- A. A parent or legal guardian
- B. Any immediate family member
- C. Any one friend
- D. Up to two passengers under 21

14. During months seven through twelve of a 17-year-old's license, which additional passengers are allowed?

- A. No additional passengers
- B. Any friends
- C. One friend over 16
- D. Members of the driver's immediate family

15. What are the curfew hours for 16- and 17-year-old drivers in Connecticut?

- A. Midnight to 6 a.m.
- B. 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- C. 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.
- D. 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.

16. A 17-year-old drives home from a part-time job at 11:45 p.m. Is this allowed under the curfew law?

- A. No, there are no exceptions
- B. Only with a parent in the car
- C. Only on weekends
- D. Yes, travel for employment is an exception

17. May a 17-year-old licensed driver in Connecticut use a hands-free phone while driving?

- A. Only to use GPS
- B. Yes, hands-free is always allowed
- C. Yes, but only on highways
- D. No, drivers under 18 may not use any cell phone, even hands-free, except in an emergency

18. How many passengers may a 16-year-old driver carry at most, in any case?

- A. Any number if a parent is present
- B. Two
- C. No more than the number of seat belts in the vehicle
- D. Up to five

19. How long after getting a motorcycle endorsement must a 16- or 17-year-old wait before carrying a passenger on the motorcycle?

- A. 90 days
- B. 30 days
- C. Six months
- D. One year

20. How much must you pay for a Connecticut driver's license after passing the road test?

- A. \$96
- B. \$72
- C. \$40
- D. \$84

21. What happens if the vehicle you bring for your road test is found to be unsafe?

- A. You fail the test
- B. The test is done anyway
- C. No driving evaluation is conducted and you reschedule for no fee
- D. You must rent a vehicle from DMV

22. Can a learner's permit holder drive alone to the road test location?

- A. Yes, if insured
- B. No, a non-licensed operator cannot drive to the test location alone
- C. Yes, if they have held the permit 120 days
- D. Only during daylight

23. What is the fine if a driver or passenger is cited for not wearing a seat belt in Connecticut?

- A. \$150
- B. \$25
- C. \$50
- D. \$75

24. What happens if your vehicle's insurance is cancelled and you do not respond to DMV's warning notice?

- A. Nothing, if you don't drive
- B. Your registration is suspended
- C. Your vehicle is impounded immediately
- D. You must retake the knowledge test

25. A 16-year-old is convicted for the first time of using a cell phone while driving. What is the license penalty?

- A. A warning only
- B. 1-year suspension
- C. 30-day suspension and \$175 restoration fee
- D. Points only

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1. C: 16

To obtain a Connecticut learner's permit you must be at least 16 years of age. (Obtaining a Learner's Permit: First Time Drivers, page 7)

2. C: 25 questions, 20 correct

The knowledge test has 25 questions and you need 20 correct answers to pass. (The Knowledge Test, page 7)

3. C: Until you get a license or 2 years from issue, whichever comes first

The permit is valid until you obtain a driver's license or for 2 years from the date it is issued, whichever comes first. (Obtaining a Learner's Permit: First Time Drivers, page 7)

4. A: 20/40, with or without glasses or contact lenses

The minimum vision requirement for all license classes is at least 20/40 with or without glasses or contact lenses. (The Vision Test, page 7)

5. C: Anyone who has not previously held a Connecticut license and does not hold a valid license from another state

Connecticut requires anyone, regardless of age, who has never held a Connecticut license and does not hold a valid out-of-state license to take the 8-hour Safe Driving Practices course. (First Time Drivers (All Ages), page 6)

6. C: In the front passenger seat next to the learner

The instructor must sit in the front passenger seat next to the learner and be ready to take control of the vehicle. (Learner's Permit – Qualified Trainer Requirement, page 7)

7. D: At least 20, licensed for 4 or more consecutive years, with no suspension in the last 4 years

The one person providing instruction must be at least 20 years old, have held a license for four or more consecutive years, and have had no suspension during the four years before training. (Learner's Permit Passenger Restrictions for 16- and 17-Year-Olds, page 8)

8. D: 40 hours

All 16- and 17-year-old applicants must have at least 40 hours of behind-the-wheel, on-the-road training, from professional instruction, home training, or both. (Driver Education Requirements: Home Training Program, page 9)

9. D: 120 days

Applicants who complete driver education through a commercial driving school or secondary school must wait 120 days after the permit is issued before the road test. (Commercial Driving School or Secondary School Training, page 8)

10. A: 180 days

Applicants who do not complete driver education through a commercial or secondary school must wait 180 days after the permit is issued before taking the driver's exam. (Commercial Driving School or Secondary School Training, page 8)

11. C: 90 days

Adult first-time applicants (18 and older) need to keep their learner's permit for a minimum of 90 days before they can take the road test. (Applicants 18 Years of Age or Older, page 9)

12. C: Two hours of instruction on teen driving laws and dangers

A parent or legal guardian must complete two hours of instruction about the laws for drivers under 18 and the dangers of teen driving. (Parent Training Requirements, page 8)

13. A: A parent or legal guardian

For the first six months, a newly licensed 16- or 17-year-old may carry only a licensed driving instructor, parents or legal guardian (at least one licensed), or one qualified person at least 20 years old. (Restrictions for 16- and 17-Year-Old Drivers: Passenger Restrictions, page 10)

14. D: Members of the driver's immediate family

In the second six months, the only additional passengers allowed are members of the driver's immediate family. (Restrictions for 16- and 17-Year-Old Drivers: Passenger Restrictions, page 10)

15. B: 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Teen drivers may not drive from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. unless traveling for employment, school, religious activities, medical necessity, or as an assigned Safe Ride Program driver. (Hour Restrictions (Curfew), page 10)

16. D: Yes, travel for employment is an exception

The 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew has exceptions for employment, school, religious activities, medical necessity and the Safe Ride Program. (Hour Restrictions (Curfew), page 10)

17. D: No, drivers under 18 may not use any cell phone, even hands-free, except in an emergency

Learner's permit holders and 16- and 17-year-old drivers may not use a cell phone or mobile electronic device, even hands-free; emergency calls are the exception for any age. (Connecticut Cell Phone Laws, page 15)

18. C: No more than the number of seat belts in the vehicle

Learner's permit holders and 16- and 17-year-old drivers may not carry more passengers than the number of seat belts in the vehicle. (Other Restrictions, page 10)

19. C: Six months

Teen drivers may not transport any passenger on a motorcycle for six months after the motorcycle endorsement is issued. (Other Restrictions, page 10)

20. D: \$84

The manual lists a license fee of \$84, paid after you pass the road test. (To Begin the Road Test You Will Need, page 9)

21. C: No driving evaluation is conducted and you reschedule for no fee

If the test vehicle is in unsafe operating condition, no behind-the-wheel evaluation is conducted and the applicant reschedules for no fee. (The Road Test, page 9)

22. B: No, a non-licensed operator cannot drive to the test location alone

A non-licensed operator cannot drive to the test location alone. (The Road Test, page 9)

23. D: \$75

If either the driver or a passenger fails to wear a seat belt, each could be cited and fined \$75. (Connecticut Seat Belt Laws, page 14)

24. B: Your registration is suspended

Connecticut requires continuous insurance on any registered vehicle; failure to respond to the DMV warning notice results in suspension of the registration. (Connecticut Insurance Laws, page 15)

25. C: 30-day suspension and \$175 restoration fee

For drivers 16 and 17, a first conviction for cell phone or text messaging use brings a 30-day suspension, a \$175 license restoration fee and court fines. (Other Suspensions for 16- and 17-Year-Old Drivers, page 36)