

Mississippi DPS Driver Service Bureau permit practice test

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

1. You meet a vehicle at night with only one headlight. What should you do?

- A. Speed up
- B. Drive to the far right of your lane
- C. Stop
- D. Flash your high beams

2. When should you use headlights, according to the Mississippi manual?

- A. Between sunset and sunrise and whenever you can't see clearly 500 feet ahead
- B. Only on highways
- C. Only in rain
- D. Only after 9 p.m.

3. Is it OK to drive with only your parking lights on when you need lights?

- A. Only at dusk
- B. No; if you need lights, use your headlights
- C. Only in town
- D. Yes

4. What does 'over-driving' your headlights mean?

- A. Driving so fast you cannot stop within the distance you can see
- B. Using fog lights
- C. Leaving lights on during the day
- D. Using high beams in town

5. Should you wear darkened glasses at night to reduce headlight glare?

- A. Yes
- B. Only on highways
- C. Only if prescribed
- D. No, they further reduce your vision

6. Which headlights should you use in fog, day or night?

- A. High beams
- B. No lights
- C. Low beams
- D. Parking lights

7. Under Mississippi law, who must wear a seat belt?

- A. Only children
- B. Only the driver
- C. The driver and all passengers, front and back
- D. Only front-seat occupants

8. Children under what age must be in a child passenger restraint (car seat) in Mississippi?

- A. 2
- B. 4
- C. 6
- D. 8

9. A 5-year-old who is 4 feet tall and weighs 50 pounds must ride in:

- A. A seat belt only
- B. A rear-facing seat
- C. A belt-positioning booster seat
- D. The front seat

10. Children under what age should always ride in the backseat?

- A. 8
- B. 10
- C. 13
- D. 16

11. When is the road most slippery during rain?

- A. After an hour of rain
- B. After the rain stops
- C. Only during downpours
- D. In the opening minutes of rain or drizzle

12. According to the Mississippi manual, what causes most automobile skids?

- A. Bad tires
- B. Driving too fast for the weather and road conditions
- C. Wet brakes
- D. Steering too slowly

13. What is the best way to avoid hydroplaning?

- A. Brake firmly in puddles
- B. Drive in the left lane
- C. Use cruise control
- D. Slow down in the rain or when water is pooled

14. If your vehicle starts to skid, what should you do?

- A. Brake suddenly
- B. Turn the wheel in the direction of the skid, if you can do so safely
- C. Turn opposite the skid
- D. Use the clutch

15. You have a blowout. What should you do first?

- A. Steer to the shoulder sharply
- B. Take your foot off the accelerator, then brake slowly and cautiously
- C. Brake hard
- D. Speed up

16. Your car is disabled and you must walk for help. Which side of the highway should you walk on?

- A. The left side, facing oncoming traffic
- B. Either
- C. The median
- D. The right side, with traffic

17. What number do you dial on a cell phone to reach the Mississippi Highway Patrol in an emergency?

- A. 411
- B. *MS
- C. *911
- D. *HP (*47)

18. When must a Mississippi accident be reported to law enforcement?

- A. Only over \$1,000
- B. When it involves injury, death or apparent property damage over \$500
- C. Only with injuries
- D. Never if no one is hurt

19. After an accident, what must you show the officer?

- A. Your birth certificate
- B. Proof of insurance and the policy number
- C. Your vehicle title
- D. Your car's repair history

20. An ambulance with flashing lights approaches while you are in an intersection. What should you do?

- A. Stop in the intersection
- B. Back up
- C. Proceed through the intersection, then pull to the extreme right shoulder
- D. Turn left

21. An emergency vehicle with lights on is parked beside a four-lane highway. What should you do?

- A. Stop next to it
- B. Maintain speed
- C. Merge into the lane away from it if safe; otherwise slow down and be ready to stop
- D. Honk

22. You are pulled over at night. What should you do?

- A. Turn off all lights
- B. Reach for your documents immediately
- C. Turn on your interior lights and keep your hands visible
- D. Get out of the car

23. During a traffic stop, if there is a weapon in your vehicle, when should you tell the officer?

- A. Never
- B. Upon first contact
- C. After receiving the ticket
- D. Only if asked

24. Does signing a traffic ticket in Mississippi mean you admit guilt?

- A. Yes
- B. Only for speeding
- C. Only if you pay immediately
- D. No

25. How far before your interstate exit should you be in the correct lane?

- A. At least 100 feet
- B. At least one-quarter mile
- C. At the exit sign
- D. At least one mile

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1. B: Drive to the far right of your lane

If you meet a vehicle with one headlight missing, drive to the far right of your lane. (Using Your Headlights: Driving at Night, page 63)

2. A: Between sunset and sunrise and whenever you can't see clearly 500 feet ahead

Use lights between sunset and sunrise and any other time you can't see clearly ahead for 500 feet. (Using Your Headlights: Driving at Night, page 63)

3. B: No; if you need lights, use your headlights

Do not drive with only parking lights; if you need lights, use your headlights. (Using Your Headlights: Driving at Night, page 63)

4. A: Driving so fast you cannot stop within the distance you can see

Don't drive so fast that you cannot stop within the distance your headlights let you see. (Using Your Headlights: Driving at Night, page 63)

5. D: No, they further reduce your vision

Never wear darkened glasses at night; they only reduce your vision further. (Using Your Headlights: Driving at Night, page 63)

6. C: Low beams

Always use low beams in fog during the night or day; high beams reduce visibility. (Using Your Headlights: Driving at Night, page 63)

7. C: The driver and all passengers, front and back

Drivers and all passengers must wear a properly fastened seat belt, front or back seat. (Seat Belts, Car Seats, and Child Restraints, page 64)

8. B: 4

Children under four years old must be secured in a child passenger restraint device. (Seat Belts, Car Seats, and Child Restraints, page 64)

9. C: A belt-positioning booster seat

Children 4 to under 7 who are under 4'9" or under 65 pounds must use a belt-positioning booster seat. (Seat Belts, Car Seats, and Child Restraints, page 64)

10. C: 13

Children under the age of 13 should always ride in the backseat. (Seat Belts, Car Seats, and Child Restraints, page 64)

11. D: In the opening minutes of rain or drizzle

The opening minutes of rain are the slickest because water mixes with dirt and grease on the road. (Hazardous Conditions & Emergencies, page 65)

12. B: Driving too fast for the weather and road conditions

Most skids are caused by driving too fast for the weather and road conditions. (Hazardous Conditions & Emergencies, page 65)

13. D: Slow down in the rain or when water is pooled

The best way to avoid traction loss from hydroplaning is to slow down in rain or when water pools. (Hazardous Conditions & Emergencies, page 65)

14. B: Turn the wheel in the direction of the skid, if you can do so safely

Turn the wheel in the direction of the skid if you can do so without running off the road; sudden braking increases the skid. (Hazardous Conditions & Emergencies, page 65)

15. B: Take your foot off the accelerator, then brake slowly and cautiously

Don't brake suddenly; take your foot off the accelerator, then brake slowly and cautiously. (Hazardous Conditions & Emergencies, page 65)

16. A: The left side, facing oncoming traffic

Always walk on the left side of the highway facing oncoming traffic, and never cross an interstate. (Hazardous Conditions & Emergencies, page 65)

17. D: *HP (*47)

Dial *HP (*47) to be connected to a Mississippi Highway Patrol dispatcher. (Hazardous Conditions & Emergencies, page 66)

18. B: When it involves injury, death or apparent property damage over \$500

Report immediately if the accident involves injury, death, or apparent property damage exceeding \$500. (In Case of an Accident, page 66)

19. B: Proof of insurance and the policy number

When the officer arrives, you must show proof of insurance and the insurance policy number. (In Case of an Accident, page 66)

20. C: Proceed through the intersection, then pull to the extreme right shoulder

If you are at an intersection, proceed through it and then pull over to the extreme right shoulder. (Yielding Right of Way to Emergency Vehicles, page 67)

21. C: Merge into the lane away from it if safe; otherwise slow down and be ready to stop

Merge into the lane away from the emergency vehicle if safe; if not, slow down and prepare to stop. (Yielding Right of Way to Emergency Vehicles, page 67)

22. C: Turn on your interior lights and keep your hands visible

Turn on interior lights at night, stay in the vehicle and keep your hands on the wheel or in view. (What to Do and Expect When Pulled Over by Law Enforcement, page 67)

23. B: Upon first contact

Let the officer know if you have a weapon in the vehicle upon first contact. (What to Do and Expect When Pulled Over by Law Enforcement, page 68)

24. D: No

Your acceptance and signature on a traffic ticket is not an admission of guilt. (What to Do and Expect When Pulled Over by Law Enforcement, page 68)

25. B: At least one-quarter mile

Be in the correct lane at least one-quarter mile from your exit. (Interstate Highway Driving, page 69)