

North Dakota NDDOT permit practice test 9

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

1. Your car gets stuck in a snowstorm. What should you do?

- A. Walk to find help
- B. Run the engine continuously with the windows closed
- C. Leave the car and flag a ride
- D. Stay with the vehicle, open the windows slightly, and run the engine and heater only briefly

2. Where do frost and ice form quicker and last longer?

- A. On bridges and shaded spots
- B. On sunny straightaways
- C. On gravel roads
- D. In parking lots

3. Why should you stay well back from a working snowplow?

- A. They drive too fast
- B. They may stop and back up, can't see directly behind them, and throw sand
- C. They are always on the shoulder
- D. They have no lights

4. You encounter a whiteout caused by a snowplow or crosswinds. What should you do?

- A. Turn on high beams and continue
- B. Drive through quickly
- C. Pass the plow
- D. Never drive through it; be patient and wait until you can see

5. What causes most winter crashes, according to the North Dakota manual?

- A. Deer
- B. Driving too fast for conditions
- C. Snowplows
- D. Mechanical failure

6. Is it safe to assume you'll have good traction because a road looks sanded?

- A. Only on bridges
- B. Only in daylight
- C. Yes
- D. No; sand can sink into the snow-pack, leaving a slick surface

7. Your windshield wipers fail in rain or snow. What should you do?

- A. Stop in your lane
- B. Slow down and look out the side window while you leave the roadway
- C. Keep driving normally
- D. Speed up to clear the glass

8. When do brakes do their best job?

- A. When the wheels are locked
- B. When the parking brake is on
- C. When pumped rapidly
- D. Just before the tires lock and start to skid

9. What are danger signs of driver fatigue?

- A. Feeling alert
- B. Singing along with music
- C. Trouble focusing, not recalling the last few miles, drifting over the center line, excessive yawning
- D. Wanting to stop for food

10. How should you check behind your vehicle before backing?

- A. Back up quickly
- B. Use only the backup camera
- C. Honk
- D. Walk around the vehicle to check for clearance

11. Why might teens be safer in a mid- to full-size sedan, according to the North Dakota manual?

- A. They go faster
- B. They are less prone to roll-overs than small trucks and SUVs, and high-performance cars encourage risk
- C. They have more passengers
- D. They are cheaper

12. How should air bags be used with seat belts?

- A. Belts are only for the back seat
- B. Lap/shoulder belts must always be used along with air bags
- C. Air bags only work unbelted
- D. Air bags replace seat belts

13. Where should you never place a rear-facing infant car seat?

- A. In front of an airbag
- B. In the back seat
- C. In the middle of the back seat
- D. Behind the driver

14. What does 'Look before you lock' refer to?

- A. Checking your mirrors
- B. Checking your door locks
- C. Looking for thieves
- D. Checking the back seat for a child before locking the car to prevent heatstroke

15. What is the only way to remove alcohol from your bloodstream?

- A. Coffee
- B. Time
- C. Exercise
- D. A cold shower

16. Can certain cold tablets affect your driving?

- A. No
- B. Only if mixed with coffee
- C. Yes, they can make you drowsy at the wheel
- D. Only for older drivers

17. Who is prohibited from purchasing, consuming or possessing alcohol in North Dakota?

- A. Only drivers
- B. Persons under 19
- C. Persons under 21
- D. Persons under 18

18. After serving at least how many days of a DUI suspension can a North Dakota driver get a temporary restricted license (outside the 24/7 program)?

- A. 7 days
- B. 14 days
- C. 30 days
- D. 90 days

19. Where should pedestrians walk if there are no sidewalks?

- A. With traffic
- B. In the middle of the lane
- C. On the center line
- D. Facing traffic, as far off the road as possible

20. A 'Don't Walk' signal starts flashing while a pedestrian is in the intersection. What should they do?

- A. Stop where they are
- B. Run diagonally
- C. Move to the other side at a normal pace
- D. Return to the curb

21. Is hitchhiking by standing on the traveled part of a North Dakota road allowed?

- A. Yes
- B. Only in daylight
- C. No
- D. Only on gravel roads

22. Who must wear a DOT-approved helmet on an off-highway vehicle or snowmobile in North Dakota?

- A. Persons over 65
- B. No one
- C. Persons under 18
- D. Everyone

23. How must an off-highway vehicle cross a highway in North Dakota?

- A. Only at night
- B. At any angle, quickly
- C. Without stopping
- D. At about 90 degrees after a complete stop, yielding to all traffic; at an intersection if divided

24. In which direction must a snowmobile travel when operated in a roadside ditch?

- A. Only north-south
- B. Against traffic
- C. The same direction as roadway traffic
- D. Either direction

25. What equipment must a snowmobile have in North Dakota?

- A. Headlight, taillight, brakes and a leakproof exhaust with muffler
- B. Turn signals only
- C. Only a horn
- D. A windshield and radio

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1. D: Stay with the vehicle, open the windows slightly, and run the engine and heater only briefly

Stay with the vehicle; most deaths happen when people leave and get lost. Open windows slightly and run the engine only for short periods. (Winter Driving, page 28)

2. A: On bridges and shaded spots

On bridges and shaded spots, frost and ice form quicker and stay longer. (Winter Driving, page 28)

3. B: They may stop and back up, can't see directly behind them, and throw sand

Plows sometimes stop and back up, can't see directly behind, and throw sanding material. Don't crowd the plow. (Meeting Snow Removal Equipment, page 28)

4. D: Never drive through it; be patient and wait until you can see

Never drive through whiteouts; plows pull over frequently to let traffic pass, so wait until you can see. (Meeting Snow Removal Equipment, page 28)

5. B: Driving too fast for conditions

Most winter crashes are caused by driving too fast for conditions. (Meeting Snow Removal Equipment, page 28)

6. D: No; sand can sink into the snow-pack, leaving a slick surface

Don't assume good traction; sand can sink into the snow-pack and leave the surface slick. (Meeting Snow Removal Equipment, page 28)

7. B: Slow down and look out the side window while you leave the roadway

Slow down and stick your head out the side window to see as you leave the roadway. (Equipment Failure, page 30)

8. D: Just before the tires lock and start to skid

Brakes work best just before the tires lock and start to skid. (Equipment Failure, page 30)

9. C: Trouble focusing, not recalling the last few miles, drifting over the center line, excessive yawning

Fatigue signs include trouble focusing, not recalling recent miles, drifting, missing signs, tailgating, forgetting to dim lights, yawning and nodding off. (Fatigue, page 31)

10. D: Walk around the vehicle to check for clearance

To be safe before backing, walk around your vehicle to check for clearance, especially for children. (Backing, page 27)

11. B: They are less prone to roll-overs than small trucks and SUVs, and high-performance cars encourage risk

Mid- to full-size sedans with smaller engines and airbags are safest; small trucks and SUVs may roll over more, and high-performance cars encourage risk. (Provide a Safe, Reliable Vehicle for Your Teen, page 42)

12. B: Lap/shoulder belts must always be used along with air bags

Air bags give supplemental protection to belted front-seat occupants; belts must always be used with them. (Air Bags, page 34)

13. A: In front of an airbag

Never place a rear-facing infant car seat in front of an airbag. (Child Restraints (Car Safety Seats), page 34)

14. D: Checking the back seat for a child before locking the car to prevent heatstroke

Make it a habit to look in the back seat before you lock, to prevent child heatstroke deaths. (Heatstroke, page 35)

15. B: Time

Time is the only way to eliminate alcohol; coffee, cold showers and exercise don't speed it up. (Alcohol, page 35)

16. C: Yes, they can make you drowsy at the wheel

Even certain cold tablets and capsules can make you drowsy; read all directions. DUI penalties also apply to narcotic drugs. (Drugs, page 37)

17. C: Persons under 21

Persons under 21 are prohibited from purchasing, consuming or possessing alcoholic beverages. (Minor in Possession/Consumption Law, page 37)

18. C: 30 days

A temporary restricted license can be issued after at least 30 days of suspension, or 14 days if in the 24/7 Sobriety Program. (Driving While Under the Influence, page 36)

19. D: Facing traffic, as far off the road as possible

Walk facing traffic, and if there are no sidewalks, get as far off the road as possible. (Pedestrians, page 37)

20. C: Move to the other side at a normal pace

Don't start crossing on a flashing Don't Walk; if already in the intersection, continue to the other side at a normal pace. (Pedestrians, page 37)

21. C: No

You may not stand on the traveled portion of a street or highway to hitchhike. (Pedestrians, page 38)

22. C: Persons under 18

Persons under 18 must wear a helmet meeting U.S. DOT standards on off-highway vehicles and snowmobiles. (Off-Highway Vehicles Rules, page 38)

23. D: At about 90 degrees after a complete stop, yielding to all traffic; at an intersection if divided

Cross at about 90 degrees where the view is clear, stop before the shoulder, yield to all traffic, and cross divided highways only at intersections. (Off-Highway Vehicles Rules, page 39)

24. C: The same direction as roadway traffic

In a ditch alongside the road, move in the same direction as roadway traffic. (Snowmobiles, page 39)

25. A: Headlight, taillight, brakes and a leakproof exhaust with muffler

A snowmobile must have a headlight, a taillight, brakes, and a leakproof exhaust system with a muffler. (Snowmobiles, page 39)