

Pennsylvania PennDOT permit practice test 4

From the Pennsylvania Driver's Manual (PUB 95). Free at permitpracticetestdmv.com/pennsylvania/

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

1. On a three- or five-lane road, the center lane is bordered by an outer solid yellow line and an inner broken yellow line. It may be used:

- A. For parking
- B. For passing
- C. Only for left turns, by traffic in either direction
- D. By buses only

2. On a multi-lane road without a median, may you cross the double yellow centerline to pass?

- A. Yes, if the left lane is clear
- B. No; you may cross broken white lines to pass but not the double yellow
- C. Only to pass trucks
- D. Only on weekends

3. White triangles painted across a lane mean:

- A. Speed bumps
- B. Pedestrian crossing
- C. Merge ahead
- D. You must yield to approaching traffic

4. When should you check tire pressure?

- A. Only at inspection
- B. Only in summer
- C. Cold, before driving or at least three hours after driving
- D. Right after a long drive

5. How should your side mirrors be set?

- A. So you see a large part of your vehicle
- B. Pointed at the curb
- C. Pointed at the sky
- D. So that when you lean left or right you can just barely see the side of your vehicle

6. Is it legal in Pennsylvania to hang items such as a parking permit from the rearview mirror while driving?

- A. Yes
- B. No; tags, permits and placards may only hang there when the vehicle is parked
- C. Yes, if smaller than 3 inches
- D. Only handicapped placards

7. Where should heavy items like backpacks or tools be carried?

- A. On the dashboard
- B. In the trunk or secured with seat belts
- C. On the front seat
- D. On the rear window deck

8. How high should the top of your head restraint be?

- A. Removed for comfort
- B. At the base of your neck
- C. At least as high as the top of your ears
- D. Below your shoulders

9. Being thrown from a vehicle increases your chance of death by about:

- A. 25 percent
- B. 50 percent
- C. 75 percent
- D. 100 percent

10. Which three things does a driving distraction do?

- A. Only affects new drivers
- B. Changes lanes, brakes and speeds up
- C. Takes your attention from driving, your eyes off the road or your hands off the wheel
- D. Slows the engine, uses fuel and wears tires

11. Under the Pennsylvania manual, headphones or earpieces may be used:

- A. Never
- B. In both ears
- C. Only for music
- D. In only one ear, for communication purposes

12. According to research in the Pennsylvania manual, how often does a teenager dialing a cell phone miss an important road event?

- A. 3 percent of the time
- B. 13 percent of the time
- C. 53 percent of the time
- D. 90 percent of the time

13. Being awake for 24 hours in a row impairs driving about as much as a BAC of:

- A. .02
- B. .05
- C. .08
- D. .10

14. What is the best thing to do if you start to feel tired while driving?

- A. Stop driving
- B. Open a window
- C. Turn up the radio
- D. Drink coffee

15. How often does the manual recommend having your vision checked?

- A. Only at license renewal
- B. Only if you wear glasses
- C. Every one or two years
- D. Every 5 years

16. In Pennsylvania, who must report drivers with conditions that could impair safe driving to PennDOT?

- A. Physicians who diagnose the condition
- B. Insurance companies
- C. Family members
- D. Police only

17. Which health problems does the manual list among the most dangerous for drivers?

- A. Seizure disorders, diabetes and heart conditions
- B. Nearsightedness
- C. Seasonal allergies
- D. Mild colds

18. You normally wear tinted contact lenses. When should you not wear them while driving?

- A. At night
- B. In rain
- C. During the day
- D. On highways

19. What does the Pennsylvania manual call the single most effective thing you can do to reduce the risk of death or injury?

- A. Using daytime running lights
- B. Wearing your seat belt
- C. Driving slowly
- D. Buying a large vehicle

20. Why should you keep fresh air flowing in your vehicle?

- A. To stay alert and guard against carbon monoxide poisoning
- B. To cool the engine
- C. To save fuel
- D. To keep the windows clean

21. About what share of all traffic deaths involve drinking drivers, according to the Pennsylvania manual?

- A. 10 percent
- B. 25 percent
- C. 40 percent
- D. 60 percent

22. In Pennsylvania, a driver under 21 is considered DUI at what BAC?

- A. .00 or more
- B. .02 or more
- C. .05 or more
- D. .08 or more

23. A driver with a BAC of .04 is how much more likely to crash than a driver with no alcohol?

- A. Twenty times more likely
- B. No more likely
- C. Between two and seven times more likely
- D. Ten times more likely

24. Which counts as one drink in the Pennsylvania manual?

- A. 1.5 oz. of 80 proof liquor, 12 oz. of regular beer, or 5 oz. of wine
- B. 3 oz. of liquor
- C. 12 oz. of wine
- D. 24 oz. of beer

25. How long does it take a person of average weight to process the alcohol in one drink?

- A. About 15 minutes
- B. About 30 minutes
- C. About three hours
- D. At least one hour

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1. C: Only for left turns, by traffic in either direction

Those markings mean vehicles in either direction may use the center lane only to make left turns, not to pass. (Pavement Markings, page 26)

2. B: No; you may cross broken white lines to pass but not the double yellow

Broken white lines may be crossed to pass, but you may not cross the double yellow centerline. (Pavement Markings, page 26)

3. D: You must yield to approaching traffic

YIELD or white triangles painted across the lane indicate you must yield to approaching traffic. (Pavement Markings, page 26)

4. C: Cold, before driving or at least three hours after driving

Check tires 'cold': before you have driven or at least three hours after you have driven. (Vehicle Checks: Preparing to Drive, page 35)

5. D: So that when you lean left or right you can just barely see the side of your vehicle

Set side mirrors so that when you lean left or right you can just barely see the side of your vehicle, after adjusting your seat. (Vehicle Checks: Preparing to Drive, page 35)

6. B: No; tags, permits and placards may only hang there when the vehicle is parked

It is against the law to have anything hanging from the rearview mirror while moving; tags, permits and placards may hang there only when parked. (Vehicle Checks: Preparing to Drive, page 35)

7. B: In the trunk or secured with seat belts

Loose items become projectiles in a crash; put heavy objects in the trunk or secure them, and never store items on the rear window deck. (Vehicle Checks: Preparing to Drive, page 35)

8. C: At least as high as the top of your ears

Adjust the head restraint so its top is at least as high as the top of your ears. (Vehicle Checks: Preparing to Drive, page 36)

9. C: 75 percent

Locking your doors and wearing a seat belt keep you from being thrown out; being thrown increases your chance of death by 75 percent. (Vehicle Checks: Preparing to Drive, page 36)

10. C: Takes your attention from driving, your eyes off the road or your hands off the wheel

Anything that takes your attention away, your eyes off the road or your hands off the wheel is a distraction. (Driving Distractions, page 36)

11. D: In only one ear, for communication purposes

Headphones/ear pieces can only be used in one ear for communication purposes. (Driving Distractions, page 36)

12. C: 53 percent of the time

A normal driver misses such an event 3 percent of the time, an adult dialing 13 percent, and a teen dialing 53 percent. (Driving Distractions, page 36)

13. D: .10

Being awake 18 hours is like a BAC of .05; 24 hours in a row is like .10. (Lack of Sleep, page 37)

14. A: Stop driving

The best thing to do if you begin to feel tired while driving is to stop driving. (Lack of Sleep, page 37)

15. C: Every one or two years

Have your vision checked every one or two years; side vision, distance judgment and low-light vision can decline. (Health Factors, page 37)

16. A: Physicians who diagnose the condition

Pennsylvania physicians must report individuals diagnosed with a condition that could impair their ability to drive safely. (Health Factors, page 37)

17. A: Seizure disorders, diabetes and heart conditions

The most dangerous health problems include seizure disorders that cause loss of consciousness, diabetes and heart conditions. (Health Factors, page 37)

18. A: At night

Do not wear sunglasses or tinted contact lenses at night. (Vehicle Checks: Preparing to Drive, page 36)

19. B: Wearing your seat belt

Wearing your seat belt is the single most effective thing you can do to reduce the risk of death or injury. (Choosing Safety First, page 35)

20. A: To stay alert and guard against carbon monoxide poisoning

A constant supply of fresh air helps you stay alert and guards against carbon monoxide poisoning. (Vehicle Checks: Preparing to Drive, page 36)

21. C: 40 percent

Approximately 40 percent of all traffic deaths involve drinking drivers. (Alcohol and Driving, page 37)

22. B: .02 or more

A driver under 21 with a BAC of .02 percent or more is considered to be driving under the influence. (Alcohol and Driving, page 37)

23. C: Between two and seven times more likely

Even at .04 (half the adult limit), drivers are two to seven times more likely to crash. (Alcohol and Driving, page 37)

24. A: 1.5 oz. of 80 proof liquor, 12 oz. of regular beer, or 5 oz. of wine

One drink is 1.5 oz. of 80 proof liquor, 12 oz. of regular beer or 5 oz. of wine. (Alcohol and Driving, page 38)

25. D: At least one hour

It takes a person of average weight at least one hour to process the alcohol in every drink. (Alcohol and Driving, page 38)