

Washington DC 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 a left turn on red legal in DC?

- A. Yes, after stopping
- B. Only at night
- C. No, it is illegal to make a left turn on red in DC
- D. Yes, from one-way to one-way

2. Before a legal right turn on red in DC, where must you stop?

- A. Before the crosswalk, with a complete stop
- B. No stop needed
- C. After the crosswalk
- D. In the intersection

3. You plan to turn just past an intersection. When should you signal?

- A. Well before the intersection
- B. Once you are in the intersection
- C. After the turn
- D. Never

4. Within how many feet of an intersection or railroad crossing must you not pass on a two-lane road in DC?

- A. 50 feet
- B. 100 feet
- C. 300 feet
- D. 500 feet

5. Where may you pass on the left or right in DC?

- A. Only on the shoulder
- B. On one-way roads with room for more than one line of traffic, and on highways with four or more lanes
- C. Nowhere
- D. Anywhere

6. On a two-lane road, when may you pass on the right?

- A. Never
- B. On the shoulder
- C. Whenever safe
- D. Only when the vehicle being overtaken is making or about to make a left turn, staying on the pavement

7. When passing on a two-lane highway, when should you return to the right lane?

- A. After 2 seconds
- B. When you see both headlights of the passed vehicle in your rearview mirror
- C. After 100 feet
- D. Immediately

8. What does the end of a 'no-passing zone' mean?

- A. You must pass
- B. It is lawful to pass only when safe
- C. Speed up
- D. It is safe to pass

9. On a two-lane or narrow road, how much of the road must you give an approaching vehicle?

- A. One-half of the paved portion
- B. One-third
- C. All of it
- D. None

10. You see a vehicle stopped on the shoulder. What should you do?

- A. Honk
- B. Slow down and move to the left part of your lane or the next lane if available
- C. Stop behind it
- D. Speed up

11. When must you turn on your headlights in DC?

- A. Only on highways
- B. Only at night
- C. Only in rain
- D. From one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise, when you can't see 500 feet ahead, in tunnels, and when wipers are on

12. How far before meeting an oncoming vehicle must you switch to low beams in DC?

- A. At least 500 feet
- B. 300 feet
- C. 1,000 feet
- D. 200 feet

13. When following another vehicle, within what distance must you use low beams in DC?

- A. 100 feet
- B. 300 feet or less
- C. 500 feet
- D. 1,000 feet

14. When parallel parking in DC, how close to the curb must you be?

- A. Within 6 inches
- B. Within 12 inches
- C. Within 18 inches
- D. Within 24 inches

15. When parking on a DC street, what must you do?

- A. Turn on hazards
- B. Leave the engine running
- C. Stop the engine, lock the ignition, remove the key and set the parking brake
- D. Leave windows down

16. How close to a fire hydrant may you stand or park in DC?

- A. Not within 10 feet
- B. Not within 5 feet
- C. Not within 20 feet
- D. Not within 15 feet

17. How close may you park in front of a flashing signal, stop sign or traffic signal at the side of the road in DC?

- A. Not within 25 feet
- B. Not within 30 feet
- C. Not within 10 feet
- D. Not within 50 feet

18. How close to a private or public driveway or alley may you stand or park in DC?

- A. Not in front of or within 5 feet
- B. Not within 10 feet
- C. Not within 15 feet
- D. Not within 20 feet

19. How close to the entrance of a fire station driveway may you park in DC?

- A. Not within 50 feet
- B. Not within 75 feet
- C. Not within 10 feet
- D. Not within 20 feet

20. You park downhill next to a curb in DC. Which way should your front wheels point?

- A. It doesn't matter
- B. Away from the curb
- C. Straight
- D. Toward the curb

21. You park on a hill with no curb in DC. Which way should your front wheels point?

- A. Straight
- B. Toward the edge of the road (where the curb would be)
- C. Toward traffic
- D. Toward the center of the road

22. When parked on a highway shoulder after dark in DC, what must you turn on?

- A. Interior lights
- B. High beams
- C. Nothing
- D. Hazard lights or parking lights

23. Is double parking allowed in DC?

- A. Only for deliveries
- B. Yes, briefly
- C. Only with flashers
- D. No, it is prohibited because it blocks traffic and causes crashes

24. Unless otherwise posted, what is the speed limit on DC city streets?

- A. 15 mph
- B. 20 mph
- C. 25 mph
- D. 30 mph

25. Unless otherwise posted, what is the speed limit in a DC alley?

- A. 5 mph
- B. 10 mph
- C. 15 mph
- D. 20 mph

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1. C: No, it is illegal to make a left turn on red in DC

It is illegal to make a left turn on red in the District of Columbia. (Driving Rules: Turns—Left Turn, page 42)

2. A: Before the crosswalk, with a complete stop

Make a complete stop before the crosswalk, then turn cautiously after yielding to pedestrians, bicyclists and traffic, unless a sign prohibits it. (Driving Rules: Turns—Right Turn, page 42)

3. B: Once you are in the intersection

When turning just past an intersection, signal once you are in the intersection. (Driving Rules: Signaling, page 41)

4. B: 100 feet

You must not pass when crossing or within 100 feet of an intersection or railroad crossing, or approaching within 100 feet of a bridge, viaduct or tunnel with an obstructed view. (Driving Rules: When You Must Not Pass on Two Lane Highways, page 41)

5. B: On one-way roads with room for more than one line of traffic, and on highways with four or more lanes

Passing on the left is preferable, but it's legal to pass on either side on one-way roads with room for more than one line and on highways of four or more lanes. (Driving Rules: Passing, page 41)

6. D: Only when the vehicle being overtaken is making or about to make a left turn, staying on the pavement

On a two-lane highway you may pass on the right only when the vehicle ahead is making or about to make a left turn, without using the shoulder. (Driving Rules: Overtaking and Passing on a Two Lane Highway, page 41)

7. B: When you see both headlights of the passed vehicle in your rearview mirror

Return to the right lane when you can see both headlights of the passed vehicle in your rearview mirror. (Driving Rules: Overtaking and Passing on a Two Lane Highway, page 41)

8. B: It is lawful to pass only when safe

The end of a no-passing zone does not mean it's safe to pass, only that it is lawful to pass when safe. (Driving Rules: When You Must Not Pass on Two Lane Highways, page 41)

9. A: One-half of the paved portion

On a two-lane or narrow highway, you must grant the approaching vehicle one-half of the paved or improved portion of the road. (Driving Rules: Keep to the Right, page 41)

10. B: Slow down and move to the left part of your lane or the next lane if available

If you see a vehicle stopped on the shoulder, slow down and move to the left part of your lane or the next lane if available. (Driving Rules: Driving on Roads With Marked Lanes, page 42)

11. D: From one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise, when you can't see 500 feet ahead, in tunnels, and when wipers are on

Headlights are required a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise, when you can't see persons or vehicles 500 feet ahead, in tunnels, and whenever wipers are on. (Driving Rules: Using Your Headlights, page 42)

12. A: At least 500 feet

Change to low beams at least 500 feet before meeting oncoming vehicles, and when following within 300 feet. (Driving Rules: Using Your Headlights—High Beams, page 42)

13. B: 300 feet or less

You must change to low beams when following a vehicle at a distance of 300 feet or less. (Driving Rules: Using Your Headlights—High Beams, page 42)

14. B: Within 12 inches

Park parallel to and within 12 inches of the curb. (Parking Rules: Parallel Parking, page 43)

15. C: Stop the engine, lock the ignition, remove the key and set the parking brake

You must stop the engine, lock the ignition, remove the key and set the parking brake; never leave children, seniors or pets unattended. (Parking Rules, page 43)

16. A: Not within 10 feet

Do not stand or park within 10 feet of a fire hydrant. (Parking Rules: Stopping, Standing, Parking – Prohibited, page 44)

17. A: Not within 25 feet

Do not stand or park within 25 feet in front of any flashing signal, stop sign or traffic signal at the side of the road. (Parking Rules: Stopping, Standing, Parking – Prohibited, page 44)

18. A: Not in front of or within 5 feet

Do not stand or park in front of or within 5 feet of a private or public driveway or alley. (Parking Rules: Stopping, Standing, Parking – Prohibited, page 44)

19. D: Not within 20 feet

Do not stand or park within 20 feet of the entrance to any fire station driveway. (Parking Rules: Stopping, Standing, Parking – Prohibited, page 45)

20. D: Toward the curb

Turn the wheels toward the curb when parking downhill and away from the curb when parking uphill. (Parking Rules: Parking on a Hill, page 43)

21. B: Toward the edge of the road (where the curb would be)

With no curb, uphill or downhill, turn the front wheels toward the edge of the road. (Parking Rules: Parking on a Hill, page 43)

22. D: Hazard lights or parking lights

From sunset to sunrise, or when you can't see 1,000 feet, turn on hazard or parking lights when parked on the shoulder. (Parking Rules: Parking on Highways, page 44)

23. D: No, it is prohibited because it blocks traffic and causes crashes

Double parking is prohibited because it blocks traffic and causes crashes. (Parking Rules: Parallel Parking, page 43)

24. B: 20 mph

Unless otherwise posted, DC city streets are 20 mph, alleys 15 mph and school zones 15 mph. (Traffic Rules: Speed Limit Laws/Unless Otherwise Posted, page 46)

25. C: 15 mph

The default speed limit in a DC alley is 15 mph. (Traffic Rules: Speed Limit Laws/Unless Otherwise Posted, page 46)