

Passenger Vehicle (Class D) and Motorcycle (Class M) Road Test Checklist

- A completed Class D or M Road Test Application
 - If you are under 18 years of age:
 - **Class D:** The application must be signed by a parent, legal guardian, social worker, or boarding school headmaster. If the person signing the application IS NOT a parent, proper documentation of the person's guardian status must be shown at the time of the road test to prove that the person is qualified to sign.
 - **Class M:** You must successfully complete a Massachusetts Rider Education Program (MREP) basic rider course to obtain a Class M license.
- A valid learner's permit. The official paper permit must be legible, or a duplicate permit will be required.
- A sponsor (Class D only; Class M road tests do not require a sponsor).
 - Your sponsor must: (a) be 21 years of age or older; (b) have at least one year of driving experience; and (c) hold a valid license issued by any U.S. state or U.S. territory; foreign licenses are not acceptable.
- The sponsor's valid driver's license available for the Road Test Examiner to review; an electronic image of a license is not acceptable.
- The use of face coverings is strongly encouraged, but not required, for all vehicle occupants during the road test.

Vehicle Requirements for Road Tests

All applicants must bring a vehicle for a Class D Road Test, or a motorcycle for a Class M Road Test, that meets the RMV's requirements. Applicants required to use an Ignition Interlock Device, or to operate with adaptive equipment, must take the road test in a vehicle with the required equipment installed. See all vehicle requirements at Mass.Gov/RoadTest.

- Be in good working condition and be able to pass a safety check.
- Have a valid registration and current inspection sticker.
- Contain adequate seating accommodations next to the operator for the use of the examiner.
- Be designed to let the examiner make an emergency stop using the parking brake. If not, the vehicle CANNOT be used.
 - Any vehicle with a center console that does not have a parking brake as part of the console CANNOT be used.
 - Any vehicle that does not allow the examiner unobstructed access to the parking brake CANNOT be used.

The examiner's goal is to observe your driving performance. During a Class D road test, you should be prepared to demonstrate your ability to:

- Use hand signals
- Start the engine
- Start and stop the vehicle
- Parallel Park
- Back the vehicle approximately 50 feet
- Make left - right turns
- Start, stop, and turn the vehicle on a hill
- Turn around between curbs (three-point turn)
- Enter and leave intersections
- Recognize and obey traffic signs, lights and signals, and other rules of the road
- Use good driving sense
- Use good driving posture, with both hands always placed properly on the wheel
- Drive in the proper lane and look carefully and signal properly before changing lanes
- Maintain enough distance between your vehicle and the one ahead of you
- Always drive at safe speeds to comply with speed limits and varying traffic conditions
- Properly yield the right-of-way
- Be generally aware of your actions and particularly those of other drivers

A Class M road test will consist of the following riding skills:

- "Figure eights" and 360° circles in both directions without your feet touching the road
- Normal starts and stops
- Driving in traffic
- Crossing intersections
- Making turns
- Shifting Gears while riding (up and down)



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A. Online Payment of Road Test/License Fees & 72 Hour Cancellation Requirement

Class D and M road test and license fees can be paid online by visiting the Fees section of [Mass.Gov/RoadTest](https://www.mass.gov/RoadTest). Pay online and avoid visiting the Service Center.

Provide at least 72-hour notice of a cancellation or the need to reschedule. If you must cancel or reschedule your appointment with less than 72-hour notice, you will be required to pay the road test fee for the canceled/rescheduled appointment, as well as pay a road test fee for the newly scheduled appointment.

B. Applicant Requirements

Applicants must meet the following requirements for a Class D or M road test:

- Arrive at least 15 minutes early with your sponsor to the RMV location.
- Have your valid learner's permit with you. Your official paper permit must be legible, or a duplicate permit will be required.
- Have your completed road test application with you. You can download and print it from [Mass.Gov/RoadTest](https://www.mass.gov/RoadTest)
 - If you answered **Yes** to questions 1 or 2 in the Mandatory Questions section of the road test application, the application must be approved by an authorized RMV employee prior to the road test.
 - If you are under 18 years of age, the application must be signed by a parent, guardian, child guardian division, or boarding school headmaster. If the person signing the application **IS NOT** a parent, proper paper documentation must be shown at the time of the road test to prove that the person is qualified to sign.
- Class D applicants must be accompanied by a sponsor who:
 - Is at least 21 years of age.
 - Has had a valid U.S. license, issued by their home state or U.S. territory, with at least one year driving experience. The physical license must be presented to the examiner; an electronic image of the license is not acceptable. An individual with a foreign, non-U.S. license, cannot serve as a sponsor.
- Class M applicants must be at least 18 years of age. If you are under 18 years of age, you cannot take an RMV Class M road test and must successfully complete a Massachusetts Rider Education Program (MREP) basic rider course to obtain a Class M license. Motorcycle road test applicants **DO NOT** require a sponsor.
- Be aware of all requirements on the back of this Information Sheet and the reasons why the RMV may reject your vehicle, reject your application, or cancel your road test before it begins.
- Remember only the applicant and sponsor can be in the vehicle during the test; exceptions are made for language interpreters and trained service animals. Children cannot ride along during the test.
- The use of face coverings is strongly encouraged, but not required, for all vehicle occupants during the road test.
- Know your hand signals, used to show turns and stops. You will be asked to demonstrate those safety signals at the start of your test.

(Continue reading the back of this Information Sheet to make sure you leave the parking lot)

C. Vehicle Requirements

Vehicles used for a Class D or M road test must meet the following requirements and will be inspected before your test. This includes vehicles with an ignition interlock device, and vehicles with adaptive equipment for a competency test.

- Be in good working condition and be able to pass a safety check.
- Have a valid registration and current inspection sticker.
- Contain adequate seating accommodations next to the operator for the use of the examiner and have a rear seat behind the driver for the sponsor.
- Be designed to let the examiner make an emergency stop using the parking brake. If not, the vehicle **CANNOT** be used for the road test, you will not be charged for the road test.
 - Any vehicle with a center console that does not have a parking brake as part of the console **CANNOT** be used.
 - Any vehicle that does not allow the examiner unobstructed access to the parking brake **CANNOT** be used.

D. Out-of-state Registered Vehicles

- Carry proof of insurance coverage in the form of a policy specifying the limits of coverage. Insurance coverage **MUST** be equal to Massachusetts minimum requirements of \$20,000/\$40,000 bodily injury and \$5,000 property damage coverage for that vehicle's use in Massachusetts.

E. Rental Vehicles

- Have the rental agreement and written permission on the rental company's letterhead with an authorized representative's signature and title authorizing use of the vehicle for the road test.

F. Cancelled and Rejected Road Tests

Road tests may be canceled due to weather, road, or other conditions, such as:

- A state of emergency has been declared in the region where your road test is scheduled. During inclement weather, visit Mass.Gov/RMV or [Twitter.com/MassRMV](https://twitter.com/MassRMV) for service updates before proceeding to your road test location.

The Road Test Examiner may reject or cancel your road test due to safety reasons or instances where the Road Test Examiner:

- Identifies the applicant and/or sponsor is displaying signs of alcohol or substance impairment.
- Identifies an odor of cannabis or alcohol emanating from the applicant and/or sponsor; including from their clothing or from inside the vehicle to be used for the road test.
- Observes minor children, including babies in car seats, or animals, other than trained service animals defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Title II, are present and cannot be left unsupervised at the Service Center during the road test.

You are responsible for the road test fee for each failure, rejection, less than 72 hours cancellation, or no show. Rescheduling is the responsibility of the applicant.

G. Expectation of Ethical and Professional Behavior

Acts or attempts by the applicant, sponsor, driving school, or any other individual associated to the applicant to influence the outcome of a road test by offering money, gifts, bribes, or other tangible goods are prohibited by Massachusetts law.

Threats, physical abuse, and verbal abuse toward the Road Test Examiner by any party involved in the road test will not be tolerated and the RMV may delay the applicant's ability to schedule another road test.

The Registrar reserves the right to cancel and recall any license if it is later determined that the licensee did not meet the minimum legal requirements for the road test.