



Driver's Education Program

## Behind-The-Wheel Instruction

Below are the scheduled skills that will be worked on in each lesson. However, due to weather, road conditions, traffic, road construction, etc. they may be moved from hour to hour.

### Lesson 1

1. **Check Permit and record permit number**
2. Explain Vehicle instrumentation and controls
3. Review basics: hand position on wheel & Steering
4. Introduce: - SMOG-Signal, Mirrors, Over the Shoulder, Go
  - Stopping & Acceleration
  - Right Turns
  - Left Turns
  - Looking
5. Stopping distance- See rear wheels on pavement

### Lesson 2

1. **Check Permit**
2. Review
3. Refine (right and left) turns, stopping, smooth acceleration
4. Stop Lights, right turns with red light, yielding on left turns on green
5. Speed adjustments while driving on county roads
6. Driving on Highway 8 – assessing level of comfort, practice taking left turn, and join faster moving traffic
7. Signs and Crosswalks
8. Uphill & downhill parking

### Lesson 3

1. **Check Permit and record permit number**
2. Review
3. Parking Lesson – uphill, parallel, 90 degree back, and perpendicular

### Lesson 4 & 5

1. **Check Permit**
2. Review
3. Freeway Driving Experience
  - Teach Signs – yellow-caution, green-information, yellow-lane ends
  - Lane Markings/Discontinued Lane - As noted by signs and highway markings
  - Skills - Lane change, maintain speed, frequent mirror checks
  - Freeway entrance & exit ramps, acceleration & deceleration lanes
4. Review Parking – if time permits

### Lesson 6

1. **Check Permit**
2. Review
3. Final Review for Driving Exam/Practice Test
4. Skills:
  - Hand position on Steering Wheel
  - Lane Centering
  - Stopping & smooth acceleration
  - LOOKING (observe at intersections/pedestrians)
  - Turns (Right & Left)
  - Parking (Uphill, downhill, parallel & 90 degree back)
5. Assess student's strengths and skills for improvement

### Test Summary

1. 4 basic skills of driving - right turns, left turns, stopping, and looking
2. Parking skills - uphill, downhill, parallel, 90 degree, and perpendicular