

California Driver Handbook

(2020 edition) Part 6

Directions: Download the CA Driver Handbook from the DMV website (found at https://www.dmv.ca.gov/web/eng_pdf/dl600.pdf) As you read through the handbook, answer the following questions in complete sentences.

Vehicle positioning (page 62-66)

1. If approaching a bicyclist on the right and an on-coming vehicle on the left, what should you do?
2. What are 5 types of drivers that require extra following distance?
3. What is splitting the difference? Explain
4. What speed should you merge onto the freeway?
5. If you need to cross several freeway lanes, how should you do this?
6. What information should you know before exiting freeways?
7. While preparing to pass, how should a car in the opposite direction in the far-off distance appear?
8. When should you use the shoulder of a road to pass a slow vehicle?
9. When passing another vehicle is necessary, always do it on the left, except in three scenarios. What are they?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
10. At highway speeds of 50-55mph, how many feet are required to pass safely?

Sharing the Road (page 66-78)

11. How much further does it take a truck to stop than a car?
12. What is the general rule regarding a truck's "blind spot."
13. If somebody cuts in front of a truck, what does it remove for the truck driver?
14. Why is it considered bad to linger along the side of a large truck?
15. What is a safety zone?
16. If you can safely and legally pass between a safety zone and a curb, what is the speed limit?
17. What should you never do in front of a light rail?
18. When must you yield the right of way to an emergency vehicle?
19. When yielding to an emergency vehicle, where should you never stop?
20. How many feet are you required to follow from an emergency vehicle using its red lights and a siren?
21. What does a slow moving vehicle sign/symbol look like? (What are the colors and shape?)
22. Why should you use extra caution to look for motorcycles when changing lanes?
23. What is the following distance for safely following motorcycles?
24. Why do motorcycles require extra following space?
25. Can you legally share a lane with a motorcycle?
26. Are cyclists (bicycle riders) entitled to share the roads with cars?
27. Are cyclists required to ride their bicycles on the same side of the roadway as vehicles, or ride against the traffic flow of vehicles?
28. Where are cyclists required to ride the bicycle within the roadway?

29. May a cyclist legally ride their bicycle on the sidewalk?
30. When may a cyclist legally ride a bike on a freeway?
31. When must pedestrians using guide dogs or white canes be given the right way?
32. For blind pedestrians, how many feet away from the crosswalk should you stop your car?
33. What do orange cones and construction signs on the roadway direct you to do?
34. What is the most common cause of deaths and injuries in work zones?
35. How much does a citation (ticket) cost in a construction zone?
36. What do diamond shaped signs on trucks mean?
37. What is the definition of rubbernecking?
38. What is tailgating? Explain in complete sentences.
39. What is inattention?
40. What is the definition of road rage?
41. What are frequent driver actions that can provoke road rage?
42. What are some ways to avoid becoming an aggressive driver?