

Grades 9-12

Highway License Requirements

1 LEARNER LICENSE 1-1

- 1 Compare and contrast a learner license for a 15-year-old with a learner license for a 16-year-old. [COS #1](#)
 - 2 Explain consequences of not having a learner license in possession when driving if questioned by a law enforcement officer. [COS #2](#)
 - 3 Explain the difference between driving as a privilege versus driving as a right. [COS #3](#)
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2 DRIVER LICENSE 1-2

- 4 Explain the requirements for obtaining an Alabama driver license. [COS #4](#)
 - 5 Identify individuals who cannot be licensed. [COS #5](#)
 - 6 Explain the consequences of driving without possession of a driver license. [COS #6](#)
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3 APPLICABLE FEES 1-3

- 7 Explain the costs of obtaining and reinstating driver licenses for motor vehicles, motorcycles and vessels. [COS #7](#)
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4 LICENSE RENEWAL 1-4

- 8 Describe conditions under which retesting is required for renewal of a driver license. [COS # 8](#)
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5 SUSPENSION/REVOCAATION/CANCELLATION 1-5

- 9 Compare and contrast suspension, revocation, and cancellation of driver license. [COS # 9](#)
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Traffic Laws

1 SPEED REGULATIONS 2-1

- 10 Define and explain terminology related to speed limits. [COS #10](#)
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2 STOPPING 2-2

- 11 Discuss situations that require drivers to bring their vehicles to a complete stop. [COS #11](#)
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3 RIGHT OF WAY 2-3

- 12 Describe situations where stopping or yielding is required as a result of right-of-way laws. [COS #12](#)

4 PASSING 2-4

- 13 Explain how traffic signs and pavement markings regulate the passing maneuver. COS #13
 - 14 List situations in which passing would be illegal or irresponsible. COS #14
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5 TRAFFIC CONTROLS 2-5

- 15 Identify basic types of traffic controls COS #15
 - 16 Describe ways of recognizing traffic signs. COS #16
 - 17 Discuss different types of traffic signs and their meanings COS #17
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6 OCCUPANT RESTRAINT SYSTEM 2-6

- 18 Explain regulations regarding the use of occupant restraints. COS #18
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Responsible Ownership

1 VEHICLE REGISTRATION 3-1

- 19 Explain Alabama's motor vehicle registration law COS #19
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2 INSURANCE 3-2

- 20 Identify the various types of insurance available to the consumer. COS #20
 - 21 Discuss the variables involved in purchasing automobile insurance. COS #21
 - 22 Discuss the importance of periodically evaluating individual insurance coverage COS #22
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3 FUEL ECONOMY 3-3

- 23 Explain energy-efficient driving practices. COS #23
 - 24 Analyze the best possible routes to conserve fuel consumption when traveling. COS #24
 - 25 Calculate the fuel consumption to determine miles per gallon of a vehicle. COS #25
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4 AUTO MAINTENANCE 3-4

- 26 Explain the importance of a vehicle owner's manual COS #26
 - 27 Identify maintenance checks that must be performed on a regular basis as outlined in the owner's manual. COS #27
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5 VEHICLE ACCIDENT REPORTING 3-5

- 28 Explain the proper procedures concerning traffic accident reporting (Alabama Drivers' Manual). COS #28
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Driving Procedures and Maneuvers

1 PRE-START CHECKS 4-1

- 29 Explain the pre-start procedure. COS #29
 - 30 Explain the proper procedure for starting, stopping and securing the vehicle. COS #30
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2 BASIC MANEUVERS 4-2

- 31 Identify situations in which speed slower than the posted speed limits is needed. COS #31
 - 32 Explain proper steering procedures and rationale for the use of each. COS #32
 - 33 Explain procedures for different types of braking systems. COS #33
 - 34 Demonstrate the correct use of hand and mechanical signals. COS #34
 - 35 Explain lane-changing procedures. COS #35
 - 36 Explain proper parking procedures. COS #36
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3 DEFENSIVE DRIVING 4-3

- 37 Explain the Smith System of accident-free driving. COS #37
 - 38 Discuss the SIPDE process for defensive driving. COS #38
 - 39 Explain how laws of nature affect vehicle control. COS #39
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Factors Related to Youthful Drivers

1 INEXPERIENCE 5-1

- 40 Explain the relationship between inexperienced drivers and traffic crashes. COS #40
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2 PEER INFLUENCE 5-2

- 41 Evaluate the negative impact of peer influence on youthful drivers. COS #41
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3 SPEEDING 5-3

- 42 Explain the relationship between speed and traffic fatalities. COS #42
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4 DISTRACTIONS 5-4

- 43 Identify distractions that result in inattention while driving. COS #43
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Physical and Mental Impairments

1 ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS 6-1

- 44 Define the two general types of drugs. COS #44
- 45 Generalize the effect alcohol and other drugs have on driving ability COS #45
- 46 Explain the synergistic effect of alcohol and other drugs. COS #46
- 47 Define Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC). COS #47

2 Alabama's Driving-Under-the-Influence (DUI) Laws 6-2

- 48 Identify levels of legal intoxication under the DUI Law. COS #48
 - 49 Explain the levels of punishment under Alabama law as related to driving under the influence of alcohol and other drugs. COS #49
 - 50 Explain Alabama's Implied Consent Law in relation to alcohol consumption while driving. COS #50
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3 SHORT-TERM IMPAIRMENTS 6-3

- 51 Understand the effects of emotional short-term impairments COS #51
 - 52 Understand the effects of physical short-term impairments on driving. COS #52
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Other Highway Users

1 PEDESTRIANS, MOTORCYCLISTS, AND BICYCLISTS 7-1

- 53 Discuss an automobile driver's responsibilities toward other highway users. COS #53
 - 54 Describe safety practices that other highway users should follow. COS #54
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2 COMMERCIAL VEHICLES 7-2

- 55 Discuss the dangers involved in sharing the road with commercial vehicles. COS #55
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3 SCHOOL BUSES 7-3

- 56 Describe safe driving habits when stopping for, following, or meeting a school bus. COS #56
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Different Environments and Conditions

1 RURAL DRIVING 8-1

- 57 Identify driving threats that may occur on rural roads and unmarked roads. COS #57
 - 58 Explain the following distance rules in relation to rural driving. COS #58
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2 URBAN DRIVING 8-2

- 60 Compare accident statistics of urban and rural driving (Use Alabama Traffic Accident Facts). COS #60
 - 61 Describe safe-driving procedures in relation to urban streets. COS #61
 - 62 Discuss the importance of proper lane placement COS #62
 - 64 Explain the importance of establishing a safe following distance in urban traffic. COS #64
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3 LIMITED AND CONTROLLED ACCESS HIGHWAYS 8-3

- 65 List reasons why limited and controlled access highways have lower collision and fatality rates. COS #65

12 EMERGENCY SITUATIONS 8-12

- 68 Describe correct procedures to follow when confronted with road emergencies. COS #68
 - 69 Explain how to avoid or minimize collisions. COS #69
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5 ADVERSE CONDITIONS 8-5

- 70 Explain the importance of Alabama's basic speed law during adverse conditions. COS #70
 - 71 Explain how laws of nature affect vehicle control during adverse driving conditions COS #71
 - 72 Explain ways to correct reduced visibility. COS #72
 - 73 Discuss the proper technique for skid control. COS #73
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6 RAILROAD GRADE CROSSINGS 8-6

- 74 Discuss the proper driving technique for approaching various railroad grade crossings. COS #74
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BOATING SAFETY**1 ALABAMA'S BOATING LAW** 9-1

- 75 Understand Alabama's Boating Safety Act. COS #75
 - 76 Boating Terminology COS #76
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3 BOAT OPERATION 9-3

- 77 Explain general navigation skills for safe boating. COS #77
 - 78 Explain Alabama state required and United States Coast Guard required equipment for safe boating. COS #78
 - 79 Explain navigational waterway-marking systems. COS #79
 - 80 Discuss proper procedures for preparing for boating COS #80
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4 TRAILERING 9-4

- 81 Understand the proper procedures for loading and unloading a vessel from a trailer. COS #81
 - 82 Understand the proper procedures for towing a vessel. COS #82
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5 PERSONAL WATERCRAFT OPERATION 9-5

- 83 Compare personal watercraft to a conventional vessel. COS #83
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6 BOATING HAZARDS AND PROBLEMS 9-6

- 84 Identify common hazards and problems of the marine environment. COS #84