

Alberta Written Class 4 Drivers License Practice Test (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. When is it lawful to drive in the left lane on a multi-lane road?**
 - A. When driving slower than traffic**
 - B. When passing another vehicle**
 - C. When turning left at intersections**
 - D. Only during peak traffic hours**

- 2. What is the main purpose of the Class 4 driver's license?**
 - A. To allow drivers to operate heavy trucks**
 - B. To allow for the transportation of passengers in a commercial capacity**
 - C. To enable personal vehicle usage only**
 - D. To permit driving for recreational purposes**

- 3. What is the purpose of the Alberta driver's abstract?**
 - A. To provide a record of your driving history**
 - B. To show your insurance rates**
 - C. To display your vehicle registration**
 - D. To confirm your vehicle's service history**

- 4. What should you do if your vehicle starts to skid?**
 - A. Accelerate to regain control**
 - B. Steer in the direction you want the front of the vehicle to go**
 - C. Brake hard immediately**
 - D. Turn off the engine**

- 5. What is the primary function of having a designated playground time for children?**
 - A. Ensuring children are monitored at all times**
 - B. Allowing time for physical activity and socialization**
 - C. Providing structure to after-school activities**
 - D. Encouraging children to leave school premises immediately**

- 6. During what hours is the morning school time typically observed?**
- A. 7-8:30am**
 - B. 8-9:30am**
 - C. 9-10:30am**
 - D. 10-11:30am**
- 7. When is it permissible to use a handheld device while driving?**
- A. Only while stopped at a red light**
 - B. When you are over the age of 18**
 - C. Only while driving in parking lots**
 - D. Under no circumstances**
- 8. When parking on the highway, how far must you be visible from either end?**
- A. 10 meters**
 - B. 15 meters**
 - C. 20 meters**
 - D. 25 meters**
- 9. What should you do if an emergency vehicle with flashing lights is behind you?**
- A. Continue driving at the same speed**
 - B. Pull over to the right side of the road and stop**
 - C. Speed up to get away from it**
 - D. Pull over to the left side of the road**
- 10. When can you use high beams?**
- A. Whenever you are driving in rural areas**
 - B. At night when there is no oncoming traffic and you're not following another vehicle closely**
 - C. During bad weather such as rain or fog**
 - D. Only in poorly lit areas**

Answers

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1. B
2. B
3. A
4. B
5. B
6. B
7. D
8. B
9. B
10. B

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Explanations

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1. When is it lawful to drive in the left lane on a multi-lane road?

- A. When driving slower than traffic**
- B. When passing another vehicle**
- C. When turning left at intersections**
- D. Only during peak traffic hours**

Driving in the left lane on a multi-lane road is generally considered lawful when passing another vehicle. This rule is in place to maintain smooth traffic flow and ensure safety on the road. The left lane is typically reserved for faster-moving traffic and overtaking slower vehicles. When a driver needs to pass another vehicle, using the left lane allows for a more efficient and safe maneuver without disrupting the flow of traffic in the right lane. In many jurisdictions, including Alberta, it's important for drivers to return to the right lane after completing the pass unless there is a valid reason to remain in the left lane. This practice helps to prevent unnecessary congestion and promotes a safer driving environment.

2. What is the main purpose of the Class 4 driver's license?

- A. To allow drivers to operate heavy trucks**
- B. To allow for the transportation of passengers in a commercial capacity**
- C. To enable personal vehicle usage only**
- D. To permit driving for recreational purposes**

The main purpose of the Class 4 driver's license is to allow for the transportation of passengers in a commercial capacity. This type of license is specifically designed for drivers who are engaged in transporting people as a business, which includes taxi drivers, shuttle drivers, and drivers of other passenger service vehicles. Obtaining a Class 4 license indicates that the driver has met the necessary training and regulatory requirements to ensure safety and competence when transporting passengers. The focus on commercial passenger transport distinguishes this license from others, such as those meant purely for personal or recreational use. While personal vehicle usage is important, the Class 4 license is not intended solely for that purpose, nor does it encompass the operations of heavy trucks or recreational vehicles. Instead, it emphasizes responsibility and safety in a professional setting, which is essential when carrying passengers for hire.

3. What is the purpose of the Alberta driver's abstract?

- A. To provide a record of your driving history**
- B. To show your insurance rates**
- C. To display your vehicle registration**
- D. To confirm your vehicle's service history**

The purpose of the Alberta driver's abstract is to provide a record of your driving history. This document details various aspects of an individual's driving behavior, including any traffic violations, collisions, and license suspensions. It serves as an essential tool for employers, insurance companies, and various institutions that may need to assess a driver's safety record before granting employment or determining insurance premiums. Unlike vehicle registration or service histories, which pertain to the vehicle itself, the driver's abstract focuses specifically on the individual's performance as a driver, making it a critical document for anyone looking to understand their driving background comprehensively.

4. What should you do if your vehicle starts to skid?

- A. Accelerate to regain control
- B. Steer in the direction you want the front of the vehicle to go**
- C. Brake hard immediately
- D. Turn off the engine

When your vehicle begins to skid, the most effective response is to steer in the direction you want the front of the vehicle to go. This method helps to regain control by realigning the vehicle with the intended path. In a skid, the rear wheels lose traction, and steering towards your destination allows the front wheels to regain grip, helping the vehicle to stabilize. Accelerating during a skid can worsen the situation, as it may increase speed and further reduce control. Hard braking is also counterproductive because it can lock the wheels and lead to a complete loss of steering ability. Turning off the engine is not a practical solution for recovering from a skid, as it does nothing to address the immediate loss of traction and does not assist in regaining control of the vehicle. Steering correctly is critical in recovering from a skid and preventing accidents.

5. What is the primary function of having a designated playground time for children?

- A. Ensuring children are monitored at all times
- B. Allowing time for physical activity and socialization**
- C. Providing structure to after-school activities
- D. Encouraging children to leave school premises immediately

The primary function of having a designated playground time for children is to allow time for physical activity and socialization. Playgrounds provide an essential space where children can engage in physical exercises, which promote health and well-being. This outdoor environment encourages them to run, climb, and engage in various physical activities that contribute to their fitness levels and motor skills development. Additionally, playground time allows children to interact with their peers in a less structured environment than the classroom. Socializing during play helps children develop important social skills, such as teamwork, communication, and conflict resolution. These interactions are crucial for their emotional and social development, making designated playground time an important aspect of their overall education and growth.

6. During what hours is the morning school time typically observed?

- A. 7-8:30am
- B. 8-9:30am**
- C. 9-10:30am
- D. 10-11:30am

The typical morning school time is observed from 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM, which corresponds to the answer provided. During these hours, students are arriving at school and the traffic around schools tends to be heavier as parents drop off their children and school buses are in operation. This timeframe aligns with the common start of the school day across many regions, making it essential for drivers to be particularly cautious and watchful for children and school-related traffic. Awareness of these times helps ensure the safety of students as they commute to school.

7. When is it permissible to use a handheld device while driving?

- A. Only while stopped at a red light**
- B. When you are over the age of 18**
- C. Only while driving in parking lots**
- D. Under no circumstances**

Using a handheld device while driving is prohibited under all circumstances to ensure the safety of all road users. This rule is in place because operating a handheld device can divert attention from driving, significantly increasing the risk of accidents. The focus needs to remain on the road, so any activity that could distract a driver, like texting or making calls without hands-free equipment, is strictly forbidden. The options that suggest limited circumstances for using a handheld device do not align with safety regulations and are incorrect. It is essential for drivers to understand that regardless of their age or the driving context, such as being stopped at a red light or driving in a parking lot, the priority should always be on maintaining full attention to driving tasks. Thus, the only acceptable answer is that using a handheld device is prohibited under all circumstances.

8. When parking on the highway, how far must you be visible from either end?

- A. 10 meters**
- B. 15 meters**
- C. 20 meters**
- D. 25 meters**

When parking on the highway, it is essential to ensure that your vehicle is visible to other drivers from a considerable distance to prevent accidents and ensure safety. The requirement to be visible from 15 meters at either end is designed to provide a clear line of sight for approaching vehicles, allowing them to react appropriately to your parked vehicle. This distance helps to prevent collisions, as it gives sufficient warning to other drivers about the presence of your vehicle, especially on busy roads where speed may be high. Ensuring a 15-meter visibility distance contributes to safer travel conditions for all road users, making it the correct answer.

9. What should you do if an emergency vehicle with flashing lights is behind you?

- A. Continue driving at the same speed**
- B. Pull over to the right side of the road and stop**
- C. Speed up to get away from it**
- D. Pull over to the left side of the road**

When an emergency vehicle with flashing lights is behind you, the appropriate action is to pull over to the right side of the road and stop. This allows the emergency vehicle to pass safely and quickly. Emergency vehicles, such as ambulances, fire trucks, or police cars, often need to respond urgently to incidents, and providing them with a clear path is crucial for public safety. Pulling over to the right side is standard protocol because it creates a safe corridor for the emergency vehicle to maneuver. Stopping also ensures that you are not obstructing the road, allowing for a smooth passage. It is important to remain stopped until the emergency vehicle has fully passed you and is no longer in your vicinity before you resume driving. In situations where it may be safe to do so, you should also be aware of any traffic rules regarding moving over for emergency vehicles, as some jurisdictions may have laws requiring drivers to yield in specific ways or to make a clear lane for such vehicles.

10. When can you use high beams?

- A. Whenever you are driving in rural areas**
- B. At night when there is no oncoming traffic and you're not following another vehicle closely**
- C. During bad weather such as rain or fog**
- D. Only in poorly lit areas**

High beams are designed to provide increased visibility in low-light conditions, and their use is appropriate when you can maximize their benefits without endangering yourself or other road users. When driving at night, the key consideration is ensuring that there is no oncoming traffic and that you are not closely following another vehicle. This is because high beams can be blinding to other drivers, potentially causing accidents. Using high beams in these situations allows you to see further down the road and improve your reaction time to any hazards that may be present. When you can see clearly without affecting others' vision, high beams enhance your safety significantly. In contrast, using high beams in rural areas may not always be appropriate if there is oncoming traffic present. Utilizing them during poor weather like rain or fog can also reduce visibility because the light reflects back towards you, leading to potentially dangerous conditions. While poorly lit areas might seem like a reasonable time to use high beams, the critical factor is still the presence of other vehicles on the road, as they can also cause glare.

Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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