

# Guide for Practical Driving Test (Part - I & II)



" Driving is a Privilege, Not a Right"

DRIVERS LICENCING AUTHORITY National Highways & Motorway Police



# **FOREWORD:**

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It is a matter of concern for all of us that every year more than 12 thousand precious lives are lost in road accidents in Pakistan. The NH&MP over the years has analyzed the causes of these accidents on the Highways and Motorways. The main villain in most of the cases has turned out to be the drivers of vehicles. Although the drivers involved in the accidents had proper driving licences, duly issued by District driving licencing authorities, but unfortunately the causes of accidents reflected complete lack of knowledge and traffic sense on part of the driver. This depicts the low quality and standards adopted for testing the drivers before issuance of the licences.

The possession of driving licence in Pakistan unfortunately is not synonymous with proper and careful driving as the licences are issued without testing the requisite knowledge and skills and without taking a proper theoretical and practical driving test of the licence seekers.

It is in this backdrop that the NH&MP has established a licencing authority, as mandated by NHSO-2000, with the aim to raise the standards of licencing in Pakistan. NH&MP driving licences are issued after the applicants qualify the theoretical and practical driving tests. The theoretical test assesses the knowledge of traffic laws/rules of the candidate while practical test examines his/her practical expertise in driving. To facilitate applicants in attaining the required expertise, this Practical Test Guide book has been compiled to help them prepare better for the tests. The book gives a guideline to the candidates for what is expected from them in the test.

I hope this book would facilitate the citizens/applicants to prepare for their practical test and to improve their driving expertise. Better quality of drivers would ensure more disciplined traffic on Highways and would help us achieve our ultimate objective of making road journey safe and secure.

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#### **GUIDE FOR PRACTICAL DRIVING TEST PART-I**

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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• The fresh applicant having passed the theoretical test will appear for practical driving test part-I after a period of 42 days while in case of conversion the applicant can appear for test on the same day or as directed by the examiner. The applicant should bring the following documents while appearing for practical driving test part-I:

- Valid Original CNIC
- Original Learner Permit issued by NH & MP
- Result of Theoretical Test
- Prescribed copy of Highway code

• The applicant shall sign an undertaking that during practical driving test he/she will be fully responsible in case of any accident/incident.

• The applicant can use his/her own vehicle for undergoing practical driving tests.

• The applicant having passed practical driving test part-I can appear for practical driving test-II on the same day or as directed by the examiner while those who fail part-I shall reappear for part-I test after a period of 14 days.

# THE PRACTICAL DRIVING TEST-I SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING;

- 1. INSPECTION OF VEHICLE
- 2. COCKPIT DRILL
- 3. STARTING OF VEHICLE
- 4. VEHICLE UNPARKING
- 5. ROAD SENSE
- 6. VEHICLE CONTROL
- 7. SHAPE TEST

#### **1. INSPECTION OF VEHICLE:**

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First of all the applicant is expected to inspect the vehicle. During inspection the following things are expected to be checked;

- i) Tyres should be checked whether they are in proper condition or not.
- ii) Spare tyre should also be checked accordingly.
- iii) Head lights, back lights, indicators should be checked whether they are working properly or not.
- iv) Engine oil level should be checked through oil gauge/dipstick.
- v) The applicant should also check whether the vehicle has sufficient fuel or not.

# 2. COCKPIT DRILL:

After inspection of vehicle, the applicant should sit in the vehicle and is expected to follow the cockpit drill procedure. In cockpit drill, the following steps are required to be followed by the applicants;

- i) Ensure that all the doors are closed. If any of the door is open or half closed, the applicant should close it properly.
- ii) The applicant should adjust seat as per his/her convenience, if required.
- iii) The applicant should adjust side mirrors and back view mirror of the vehicle according to his/her seat position.
- v) After seat, steering and mirrors adjustment, the applicant should wear seat belt.
- vi) Before starting of vehicle, the applicant should make sure that the hand brake is applied properly.

# 3. STARTING OF VEHICLE:

- i) The applicant should make sure the gear is in neutral position.
- ii) Clutch should be pressed and checked properly prior to switching on the ignition switch.
- iii) The applicant should then switch on the ignition and start the vehicle engine.

iv) The ignition attempt must be balanced and controlled. It should neither be unnecessarily long nor too short.

#### 4. VEHICLE UN-PARKING:

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- i) After starting the vehicle, the applicant is required to reverse the vehicle from parking space and bring it to driving lane.
- ii) The applicant should use proper indicator while turning the vehicle in reverse. For instance, if the applicant is turning the vehicle to the left side in reverse, he/she should use left side indicator.
- iii) The applicant is expected to make proper / appropriate use of side/back mirror.

#### 5. ROAD SENSE:

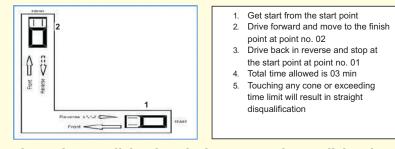
- i) The applicant should follow traffic rules and drive as if he/she is in real life traffic environment.
- ii) The applicant should observe all traffic signs and rules.
- iii) The applicant should join road after observing the traffic flow and signals etc.
- iv) Wrong/dangerous joining of road would result in straight disqualification.
- v) The applicant should drive in one lane. He/ She may change lane after properly giving indicator before turning.
- vi) The applicant should use indicators properly and well in time before taking any turn or changing lane.
- vii) At a roundabout, the applicant should enter the roundabout after observing the traffic patiently. He who is on the right has the right of way in the roundabout.
- viii) The applicant should use proper lane in the round about. For instance, if the applicant intends to go straight, he/she should use the left lane. If he /she intends to go to the right side, right lane should be used.
- xi) He/she shall use the proper indicators while entering / leaving the roundabout.
- x) Violating the right of way shall be straight disqualification.

#### 6. VEHICLE CONTROL:

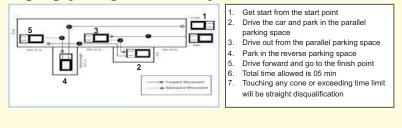
- i) The applicant should demonstrate good control over the vehicle.
- ii). The applicant should apply accelerator, brake and clutch in appropriate manner. No jerks or switching off the engine should occurat any time.
- iii) The applicant must show full control over the steering.
- iv) The applicant should handle the steering with both hands.
- v) The applicant shall demonstrate a straight reverse as asked by the examiner in which the applicant must have full control over the vehicle. Reverse should not be in zig zag manner.
- vi) Failure in straight reverse shall be straight away disqualification.

#### 7. SHAPE TEST:

i) The applicant will be asked to drive the vehicle forward and backward in "L" shape. Time limit for "L" shape will be 03 minutes.



 ii) The applicant will then be asked to move to the parallel parking test. In parallel parking test, the applicant shall demonstrate 02 types of parking i.e. first will be parallel parking and second will be garage parking. Time limit for parallel will be 05 minutes.

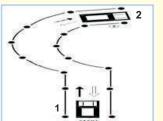


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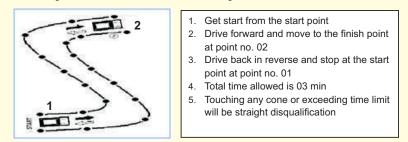
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iii) After "L" shape and parallel parking, the applicant shall be asked to go through the "?" shape test. Time limit for "?" shape will be 03 minutes.



- Get start from the start point
  Drive forward and move to the finish point at
- point No. 02
- 3. Drive back in reverse and stop at the start point at point No. 01
- 4. Total time allowed is 03 min
- 5. Touching any cone or exceeding time limit will be straight disqualification
- iv) After "?" shape test, the applicant shall be asked to go through "S" shape test. Time limit for "S" shape will be 03 minutes.



- v) Touching any cone, crossing line, exceeding time limit, adjusting vehicle more than once shall be straight disqualification.
- vi) "L" shape test and parallel parking test will be for all M.CAR/JEEP/LTV/LTV-PSV applicants.
- vii) "?" shape test will be only for LTV/LTV-PSV applicants.
- viii)"S" shape test will be only for LTV-PSV applicants.

# 8. USE OF UNFAIR MEANS:

- i) Use of unfair means will result in straight disqualification. Legal and criminal proceedings will also be initiated against such person.
- ii) Use of Influence, threats to use influence or offering bribe will result in disqualification. Legal and criminal proceedings will also be initiated against such person.

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#### **PROCEDURE FOR PRACTICAL DRIVING TEST PART-II**

- The applicant having passed practical driving test part-I can appear for practical driving test-II on the same day or as directed by the examiner. The applicant should bring the following documents while appearing for practical driving test part-II:
  - Valid Original CNIC

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- Learner permit original
- Test Result Part-I
- Prescribed Copy of Highway Code
- The applicant can use his/her own vehicle for undergoing practical driving tests.

Practical driving test-II shall consist of following steps;

# 1. COCKPIT DRILL:

After sitting in the vehicle, the applicant should follow the cockpit drill procedure before starting the vehicle. The following steps are required from the applicant during the cockpit drill;

- i) The applicant must make sure that all the doors are closed properly. If any of the door is open or half closed, the applicant should close it properly.
- ii) The applicant should adjust the seat as per his/her convenience.
- iii) After seat adjustment, the applicant should adjust steering according to his/her seat.
- iv) The applicant should adjust side mirrors as well as back view mirror of the vehicle according to his/her seat position.
- v) The applicant should wear seat belt after seat and mirrors adjustment.
- vi) Before starting of vehicle, the applicant should make sure that the hand brake is working/applied properly.

# 2. VEHICLE CONTROL:

- i) Prior to starting, the applicant should make sure that the gear is in neutral position.
- ii) Clutch should be pressed and checked properly before switching on the ignition switch.

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- iii) Use of accelerator should be appropriate.
- iv) After starting, the applicant should press the clutch, apply first gear, push down hand brake and release clutch gently to move the vehicle.
- v) The applicant's both hands should be on the steering either in 10 and 2 or 9 and 3 position.







vi) The applicant should not look down to the clutch or the gear while shifting/changing gear.

# 3. MOVING:

- i) The applicant should move the vehicle in a safe manner and without creating any hazard for others.
- ii) Moving of vehicle should be smooth and without any jerks or switching off the engine.

# 4. LANE DISCIPLINE:

- i) The applicant should use appropriate lane of the road. For instance, if he/she intends to turn left, the vehicle should be in left lane of the road and vice versa.
- ii) Speed should be according to usage of lane. For instance, while moving in the middle lane speed should not be too slow to obstruct traffic.
- iii) Driving with tyres in two lanes must be avoided except in case when the driver is changing lane after giving indicator.
- iv) The change of lane should not be abrupt and should be done after giving indicator and ensuring, through use of side/back mirrors, that it is safe to change the lane.

#### 5. OVERTAKING:

i) Before overtaking, the applicant should observe traffic by using

side mirrors as well as back view mirror.

- ii) The driver should ensure, by using side/back mirrors, that right hand lane is clear and there is no fast approaching vehicle from rear. The applicant should use right side indicator before changing lane.
- iii) After lane is changed, the indicator should be switched off.
- iv) Speed should be adequate to cross/overtake the vehicles on left side.
- v) Over speeding is not allowed while overtaking.
- vi) After completely crossing the vehicle, the applicant should observe blind spot on left side by turning shoulders a bit to the left side.
- vii) If clear, left side indicator should be switched on and lane should be changed back in a safe and smooth manner. No abrupt or sharp cutting is allowed.
- viii) After lane change, the indicator must be switched off.
- ix) Overtaking from the wrong side or dangerous overtaking will result in straight disqualification.

#### 6. USE OF INDICATORS:

- i) The applicant should use indicators as per road/traffic situation. For lane change, road joining, entering/exiting roundabout, taking U-turn, or during turning etc, relevant indicators must be used.
- ii) Indicators must be used properly and timed in a manner so that the approaching traffic can judge intentions of the applicant.
- iii) The non-use of indicators where required would result in straight disqualification.

# 7. RIGHT OF WAY:

The applicant should strictly follow the rule for right of way. Following things about right of way should be kept in mind:

- i) While joining roads, the vehicles already on the main road have the right of way.
- ii) At junctions, either the first approaching vehicle or vehicle on the right side has the right of way.
- iii) At round-about, the vehicles already in the round about or

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vehicles on the right hand have the right of way.

- iv) At pedestrian/zebra crossing, the applicant must reduce speed and carefully observe the pedestrians. In case of approaching pedestrians, the vehicle must be stopped and wait until the pedestrians have crossed the road completely.
- v) Violating the right of way will be straight away disqualification.

#### 8. ANALYZING DANGER:

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The applicant should be vigilant to analyze danger while driving;

- i) In case of any hazard/accident etc. or poor road conditions the applicant should observe/analyze and reduce speed accordingly.
- ii) In case of any blockage or diversion on road, the applicant should be capable to analyze well in time and drive in a safe manner according to the situation.
- iii) Parked vehicles must be watched while taking turn, changing lane or joining roads.
- iv) At sharp turns, the applicant must reduce speed and should be more careful.
- v) While driving the applicant should watch speed breakers/rumbles carefully and reduce speed accordingly.

# 9. OBSERVING TRAFFIC SIGNS:

- i) The applicant should observe and obey all traffic signs e.g. speed limit, school, hospital etc.
- ii) The applicant should follow all traffic signals as breaking/violating any traffic signal will be straight disqualification.
- iii) The applicant should observe and obey all the traffic controllers. Violating any traffic controller will be straight disqualification.
- iv) The applicant should follow road markings accordingly. For example, if road markings indicate left turn for left lane traffic and straight for middle lane traffic, the applicant should follow accordingly.
- v) The applicant should respect and show courtesy towards other road users. The applicant should take care of the rights of other road users.

#### **10. JUNCTIONS:**

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- i) The applicant must reduce speed before approaching a junction.
- ii) Traffic should be observed. Relevant lane of road should be used on approaching a junction.
- iii) The applicant must be vigilant while taking turn right/left and should observe traffic carefully.
- iv) The applicant should use indicators and use proper lane before taking turn.
- v) Violating traffic rules or taking wrong/dangerous turn will be straight disqualification.

#### **11. EMERGENCY STOP:**

- i) The applicant should be alert in case of emergency stop.
- ii) The applicant must have full control over vehicle in case of emergency stop.
- iii) In case of emergency stop the applicant should apply brakes wisely and according to the situation, keeping control over the vehicle.
- iv) Losing control over vehicle will be straight disqualification.

## **12. ATTITUDE TOWARDS OTHER ROAD USERS:**

- i) The applicant shall be courteous towards other road users.
- ii) The applicant should ignore mistakes of other road users and take care of their rights.

# **13. SAFE DISTANCE FROM OTHER VEHICLES:**

- i) The applicant should keep safe distance from other vehicles.
- ii) In normal weather conditions minimum safe distance will be a 03 seconds time gap while in adverse conditions minimum safe distance time gap will be 05 seconds.

# **14. USE OF UNFAIR MEANS:**

Use of unfair means, influences, threatens to use influence or offering bribe will result in straight-away disqualification. Legal and criminal proceedings will also be initiated against such person.

# IS YOUR FAMILY AND CAR SAFE IN THE HANDS OF YOUR DRIVERS?

- National Highways and Motorway Police (NH&MP) has started issuing modern credible Drivers Licences of International Standards.
- The driving licence is being issued after a comprehensive theoretical as well as practical driving tests. The holder of NH&MP driving licence will be a qualified, skilled and safe driver.
- Licences issued by NH&MP Drivers Licencing Authority (DLA) are valid Nationally and Internationally.
- Licence holders having licences issued from other licencing authorities can also get NH&MP driving licence after qualifying the tests.
- For further information please visit NH&MP website: www.nhmp.gov.pk or ():051-4922172



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