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## Illinois License Written Examination / Basic and Classification "D"

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## SECTION II

## Theory Exam / Multiple Choice

1. When you come to an intersection with a stop sign, where do you stop?
a. __ Anywhere near the intersection, as long as you come to a complete stop.
b. $\underline{X}$ At the stop line, pedestrian crosswalk, or before entering the intersection.
c. _ When your car has passed the stop sign, but before entering the intersection.
2. You should dim your bright headlights 500 feet before meeting and 300 feet before overtaking another vehicle.
a. x True
b. __ False
3. While driving, when your front wheel goes off the pavement, you should:
a. __ Turn back onto the pavement without slowing down.
b. __ Brake hard, stop, and return to the pavement when it is safe to do so.
c. $\underline{X}$ Grip the steering wheel firmly and take your foot off the accelerator.
4. Most rear-end collisions are caused by:
a. __ The car in back going too fast.
b. __ The car in front stopping too fast
c. x The car in back following too closely.
5. Which is the single greatest factor in fatal motor vehicle collisions?
a. $\underline{\mathrm{X}}$ Alcohol/Drugs.
b. __ Mechanical Problems
c. ___Road Conditions
d. __ Weather conditions
6. When the traffic light is red, and you want to make a right turn, you may do so:
a. __ If you make your turn without stopping.
b. __ If you turn quickly before the pedestrians leave the curb.
c. _ X If you come to a complete stop, and yield to traffic and pedestrians first.
7. Time is the only effective method for removing the effects of alcohol from the body.
a. $\underline{x}$ True
b. __ False
8. When an authorized vehicle using its sirens and flashing lights is approaching your vehicle, you should:
a. __ Make a right turn at the next intersection.
b. __ Move into the intersection to block cross-traffic.
c. $\underline{X}$ Pull to the right-hand edge of the roadway and stop, if necessary.
9. At what distance should a turn-signal be given when making a left or right turn in a business or residential district?
a. Not less than 50 ft . before turning.
b. __ Not less than 75 ft . before turning.
c. $\underline{x}$ Not less than 100 ft . before turning.
10. When passing another vehicle, you should wait until the car you just passed is visible in your rear-view mirror before turning back into the right-hand lane.
a. $\underline{x}$ True
b. __ False
11. When a school bus is stopped with its red lights flashing and signal-arm extended, you must stop:
a. _ When travelling either direction on a two-lane road or highway.
b. __ On a four-lane road or highway when travelling in the same direction as the bus.
C. __ Do not need to stop on a four-lane road or highway when travelling in the opposite direction of the bus.
d. _x All of the above
12. It is against the law to drive a motor vehicle without a valid driver's license with the proper classification and endorsements, even if borrowed for a short period of time.
a. $\quad \mathrm{X}$ True
b. __ False
13. After a train has finished clearing a railroad crossing with flashing signals, you may proceed:
a. __ As soon as the train has cleared the crossing.
b. __ After oncoming traffic has cleared the crossing.
c. $\quad \mathrm{X}$ After checking for another train approaching on any other track.
14. On a two-lane road marked with a single solid yellow line on the driver's side of the center line:
a. __ Drivers are required to stop before passing.
b. $\underline{X}$ Drivers are not allowed to pass another vehicle for any reason.
c. __ Drivers are allowed to pass if it is safe to do so.
15. A driver may pass another vehicle by driving on the shoulder of the road.
a. __True
b. $\quad \mathrm{x}$ False
16. Which of the following applies to bicyclists?
a. __ They must ride in the opposite direction of other vehicles.
b. __ The most dangerous hours are the time of good visibility
c. $\underline{X}$ Drivers must yield the right-of-way to bicyclists just as they would to another vehicle.
17. If a vehicle starts to skid on water, or hydroplane, the driver should:
a. __ Brake hard to regain traction.
b. __ Increase speed to regain traction.
c. $\underline{x}$ Allow the vehicle to slow down to regain traction.
18. The penalty in Illinois for being convicted of illegally passing a school bus dropping off passengers is:
a. __ A 15-day suspension of driving privileges.
b. _ A 45-day suspension of driving privileges.
c. $\quad \underline{x}$ A 90-day suspension of driving privileges.
19. The road surface of a bridge may be more dangerous in the winter because:
a. __ The bridge surface is warmer
b. $\quad \underline{x}$ There may be ice on bridge even when other pavements are clear.
c. ___ None of the Above
20. When approaching a flashing red light at an intersection, you must:
a. __ Slow down and proceed with caution, as you would for a Yield sign.
b. $\quad \mathrm{x}$ Come to a complete stop, as you would for a Stop sign.
c. _ Speed up to make through the intersection before other traffic.
21. When a train is approaching, all vehicles are required to stop how many feet before the nearest rail of a railroad crossing?
a. __ Within 25 feet, but not less than 15 feet from the nearest railroad crossing.
b. __ Within 75 feet, but not less than 25 feet from the nearest railroad crossing.
c. $\quad \mathrm{x}$ Within 50 feet, but not less than 15 feet from the nearest railroad crossing.
d. __ Within 100 feet, but not less than 50 feet from the nearest railroad crossing
22. Drivers whose licenses have been revoked due to a conviction for Driving Under the Influence (DUI) must meet several requirements before their driving privileges are restored, including:
a. __ Buying high-risk auto insurance for a period of three years.
b. ___ Undergoing an alcohol/drug evaluation, and successfully completing rehabilitation and/or an alcohol / drug education program.
c. __ Wait at least one full year before applying for license reinstatement.
d. ___ Be approved by a hearing officer, and pay a $\$ 70$ reinstatement fee.
e. _x All of the above.
23. A driver may leave the roadway to avoid a traffic control device, such as a traffic sign or light.
a. _True
b. X False
24. If your vehicle starts to skid on a slippery road, you should:
a. __ Steer in the opposite direction of the skid.
b. __ Increase your speed to straighten the vehicle.
c. $\underline{X}$ Release the gas and brake, and steer in the direction of the skid.
25. The Child Passenger Protection Act requires the use of approved safety seats or seatbelts anywhere in the vehicle for children less than 8 years of age.
a. ́x True
b. __ False
26. If a traffic light shows a red light and a green arrow and you wish to turn, you should:
a. __ Stop and wait for the red light to turn green.
b. $\underline{X}$ Continue to turn in the direction of the arrow with caution.
c. __ Stop; give the right-of-way to all pedestrians and traffic, then turn.
27. The "Three-Second Rule" of driving is as follows: Select a fixed (non-moving) object on the road ahead. When the vehicle in front of you passes said object, count "one-one-thousand-one... one-one-thousand-two, etc" If your vehicle reached the object before you were finished counting, then you are following too closely.
a. _x True
b. __ False
28. Drivers exiting from an alley, building, private road, or driveway must always:
a. __ Stop only if pedestrians or traffic are blocking the way.
b. __ Continue into the roadway without stopping.
c. _ X Stop, giving the right-of-way to any and all pedestrians and traffic.
29. It is best to not drive in fog. However, if you must, it is best to turn on your low-beam headlights and:
a. __ Your hazard lights.
b. __ Stop until the fog has cleared.
c. X Do not "over-drive" your headlights. Drive at a speed within the limits of your vision.
30. Motorcyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as other motorists. Because of their size, however, it is important to pay special attention when they approach intersections, bridges, railroad crossings, or are driving in adverse weather conditions.
a. x True
b. __ False
31. If you are under 18, and driving after curfew hours, you must be accompanied by a parent/guardian, or someone 18 or older who is approved by a parent/guardian.
a. ́ True
b. _F False
32. When one of your tires has a blowout while you are driving, you should:
a. __ Stop immediately and change the tire.
b. __ Apply the brakes and pull off the road.
c. $\quad \underline{X}$ Grasp the steering wheel firmly, ease off the gas pedal, and pull off the road when safe to do so.
33. When you are stopped at an intersection traffic light, and the light turns green, you may proceed:
a. __ Immediately, without checking traffic.
b. __ After other traffic completes their turns.
c. $\quad \underline{X}$ After first yielding to pedestrians and vehicles still in the intersection.
34. After making a proper stop, and yielding to pedestrians and traffic, it is permissible for drivers on a one-way street to make a left turn on a red light, as long as it is onto another one-way street.
a. $\underline{x}$ True
b. __ False
35. If you refuse to submit to a test to determine alcohol/drug content after being stopped for a DUI (Driving Under the Influence),
a. __ You may have this used as evidence against you in court.
b. __ Your driving privileges will be automatically suspended for 6 months, if it is your first offense.
C. __ Your driving privileges will be suspended for 24 months, if it is your $2^{\text {nd }}$ (or more) refusal in a fiveyear period.
d. $\underline{X}$ All of the above.
36. Your driver's license will be revoked if convicted of the following:
a. __ Illegally racing with another vehicle.
b. __ Leaving the scene of a crash that killed or injured someone.
c. __ Driving while under the influence of alcohol/drugs (DUI)
d. $\quad \mathrm{X}$ All of the above.
37. When approaching a railroad crossing that has no warning signal (flashing lights and/or gates), a driver should:
a. __ Stop and wait for a train to pass.
b. __ Speed up and cross before a train comes.
c. $\underline{X}$ Slow down, look, and listen, proceeding only if it is safe to do so.
38. Motorcyclists are entitled to use the full width of the traffic lane. Therefore, you should pass a motorcycle:
a. __ As you would if you were passing a bicyclist.
b. __ In the same lane the motorcyclist is using.
c. $\quad \mathrm{X}$ By changing lanes and passing the same way you would pass another vehicle.
39. If arrested for Driving Under the Influence (DUI), an individual's driving privileges will be suspended if:
a. __You refuse to submit to drug testing.
b. ___ You have any trace of cannabis or any controlled substance in your system.
c. ___ You have blood-alcohol content of $0.08 \%$ or above.
d. _x All of the above.
40. A driver must yield right-of-way to any authorized vehicle engaged in construction/maintenance of a highway that is displaying amber (yellow) flashing, oscillating, or rotating lights.
a. x True
b. _ False
41. It is required for all drivers to carry with them, and show upon request to law enforcement officers
a. ___ A valid Driver's License or evidence of
b. __ The vehicle's registration or evidence of.
c. __ Evidence of liability auto insurance coverage.
d. _ X All of the above
42. It is not permissible for anyone operating a motor vehicle to wear any type of device (headphones, ear buds) that allows the wearer to receive electronic communications, except in the case of hearing-aids.
a. x True
b. __ False
43. It is permissible for you to text and drive.
a. __ True
b. ́x False
44. If you park uphill, you turn the wheel away from that curb.
a. $\underline{x}$ True
b. __ False
45. You can drive a car on a Class $D$ license up to how many lbs.
a. $\mathrm{X} 16,000 \mathrm{lbs}$.
b. $\quad 26,000 \mathrm{lbs}$.
c. $\quad 80,000 \mathrm{lbs}$.
46. What do you do if a funeral is going by while driving?
a. __ Proceed with caution
b. $\underline{x}$ Stop \& Yield
47. Drivers are not permitted to wear headsets or have a television receiver visible from the driver's seat.
a. $x$ True
b. $\qquad$ False
48. Illinois law requires children under age 8 to be secured by a restraining system or seat belt when traveling in a motor vehicle:
a. $\qquad$ In the front seat only.
b. In the back seat only.
c. _x Anywhere in the vehicle.
d. ___ Never, this is not a law.
49. Headlights are required:
a. ___ When weather conditions require the use of windshield wipers.
b. ___ From dusk to down.
c. ___ During periods of poor visibility.
d. _x All of the above.
50. Many intersection accidents occur because drivers FAIL to slow down and look carefully to the left and right before entering the intersection.
a. _x True
b. ___ False.
51. If you are convicted of passing a school bus that is receiving or discharging passengers, you may lose your driver's license for at least 90 days.
a. _x True
b. $\qquad$ False
52. The driver and the front seat passenger (age 8 and above) are required to wear seat safety belts while driving on Illinois roadways. Violators are subject to:
a. ___ Suspension of their driver's license
b. _x A $\$ 75$ fine plus court costs.
c. _ A $\$ 55$ fine plus court costs.
d. ___ None of the above.
53. What action should you take when you see a sharp curve ahead?
a. ___ Slow down after you enter the curve.
b. _x Slow down before you reach the curve.
c. __ Maintain your speed going into the curve.
54. If an intersection has no "STOP" signs, or traffic signals and two vehicles approach the intersection from different sides at about the same time, which driver has the right of way?
a. ___ The one on the left.
b. ___ The one who is going faster.
c. $\quad \mathrm{x}$ The one on the right.
55. A safe rule to follow when driving at night is:
a. __ Don't overdrive your headlights; you should be able to stop within the distance you can see ahead with your lights.
b. __ Wear dark shaded glasses.
c. ___ Always use the high beam headlights, regardless of traffic.
56. When a school bus has stopped on a two-lane highway and it's red warning lights arc flashing and it's stop signal is extended, you must:
a. ___ Slow down, sound your horn and pass the bus with caution.
b. __ Pass the bus on the left if there are no vehicles approaching from the opposite direction.
c. _x Stop before your vehicle reaches the bus.
57. If you park on a street with curb, and your vehicle is parked downhill, you must turn the front wheels:
a. ___ Straight ahead.
b. $\quad x$ Toward the curb.
c. ___ Away from the curb.
58. When approaching a blind pedestrian carrying a white cane or accompanied by a guide dog:
a. ___ You may pass if there are no vehicles approaching from the opposite direction.
b. ___ You may pass if you slow down and sound the horn.
c. _x You must yield the right of way.
59. If you miss your exit when driving on the interstate, you should:
a. ___ Pull to the side of the highway, stop, and start backing up with caution.
b. _x Drive past the exit and keep going until you find an exit that allows you to turn around
c. ___ Cross the mid-line carefully end go back.
60. If you are stranded in blizzard conditions, your chances for survival are better if you stay inside your vehicle and wait for help or until the storm is over.
a. $\quad \mathrm{x}$ True.
b. __ False.
61. A flashing yellow traffic signal light at an intersection means:
a. _ $\quad$ Y You may proceed only with caution.
b. __ The signal light is going to change to red or green.
c. ___ The intersection is a four-way "STOP".
62. It is against the law to flash your turn signals as a courtesy or "Do Pass" signal to drivers following you.
a. $\quad \mathrm{x}$ True.
b. ___ False.
63. When the traffic signal changes from green to yellow as you approach the intersection:
a. ___ Stop immediately and wait for the red light.
b. ___Cautiously pass any other vehicles going in your direction.
c. $\quad \underline{x}$ Be sure not to enter the intersection after red light comes on.
64. If you are within an intersection waiting to make a left turn and the traffic signal turns red you should:
a. ___ Remain until the light changes to green.
b. _Back up so you won't block the traffic.
c. $\quad \mathrm{x}$ Complete the turn when safe to do so.
65. When participating in a zipper merge near a construction zone, drivers should:
a. __ Merge as early as possible.
b. __Change lanes immediately.
c. $\quad \mathrm{x}$ Stay in their lane until the point of merge.
d. __ Force their way into traffic.
66. When opening your driver's side door in a road with oncoming vehicle and bicycle traffic, you should:
a. __ Open the vehicle door by reaching across with your right hand (Dutch Reach) to get a better view of the vehicle and bicycle traffic approaching from behind.
b. __ Open the vehicle door only when it does not interfere with the vehicle and bicycle traffic approaching from behind.
c. __ Open the vehicle door with your left hand and then check for oncoming vehicle and bicycle traffic.
d. $\underline{x}$ Both $a$ and $b$.
