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## **Driver's Licence Examination**

The following is a reproduction of the scoring form used by the Driver Enhancement Officer to evaluate your driving. If you are learning to drive, it may help you to have your teacher grade you, using this form.

| Pre-Check                     |     | Shifting Gears             |  |
|-------------------------------|-----|----------------------------|--|
| ☐ Ins. ☐ Per. ☐ Veh. ☐ Ins    | sp. | A Wrong gear               |  |
|                               | •   | B While turning            |  |
| ☐ Checked box is a fair or po | or  | C Rides clutch/looks down  |  |
| rating                        |     | D Coasts with clutch       |  |
|                               |     | E Too soon/not soon enough |  |
| Starting                      |     | F Cannot shift             |  |
| A Lacks knowledge of          |     | G Other than intended      |  |
| equipment                     |     | H Coasts in neutral        |  |
| B Parking Brake set/stalls    |     | I Dangerous action         |  |
| C Incorrect hand signals      |     |                            |  |
| D Unnecessary starts—         |     | Right Turns                |  |
| fast/slow                     |     | A Too far left             |  |
| E Fails to cover brake        |     | B Observation—before turn  |  |
| F Rolls back one metre or     |     | C Excessive speed/too slow |  |
| more                          |     | E Cuts corner/swings wide  |  |
| G Inadequate check/blind      |     | F Dangerous action         |  |
| spot                          |     |                            |  |
| H Dangerous action            |     | Left Turns                 |  |
|                               |     | A Too far right            |  |
| Steering                      |     | B Observation—before turn  |  |
| A Hands in unstable position  |     | C Excessive speed/too slow |  |
| B Uncertain—forward/          |     | E Cuts corner/swings wide  |  |
| backward                      |     | F Dangerous action         |  |
| C Steering with one hand      |     |                            |  |
| D Control/recovery            |     |                            |  |
| F Dangerous action            |     |                            |  |

| Backing                      | Traffic Lights                |  |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| A Improper use of mirrors    | A Fails to anticipate/slow    |  |
| B Speed—excessive/           | B Speeds up to make           |  |
| inconsistent                 | green/amber                   |  |
| C Poor control               | C Fails to enter intersection |  |
| D Poor observation before/   | on green                      |  |
| while backing                | D No caution—flashing         |  |
| E Dangerous action           | amber/green/red               |  |
|                              | E Stop on green light/arrow   |  |
| Passing                      | F Fails to observe right on   |  |
| A Uncertain                  | red                           |  |
| B Fails to sounds horn/      | G Hesitant in entering, has   |  |
| crowds                       | to wait for next light        |  |
| C Poor observation           | H Violation/Dangerous action  |  |
| D Violation/Dangerous action |                               |  |
|                              | Right of Way                  |  |
| Stopping                     | A Uncertain to take/yield     |  |
| A Stop abrupt                | right of way                  |  |
| B Stops too close/far back   | B Assumes right of way        |  |
| C Improper brake use         | C Stops unnecessarily         |  |
| D Reacts slowly              | D Fails to yield to           |  |
| E Dangerous action           | vehicle/pedestrian            |  |
|                              | E Depends on others for       |  |
| Following                    | safety                        |  |
| A Too far back               | F Violation/Dangerous action  |  |
| B Too close                  |                               |  |
| C Dangerous action           | Signalling                    |  |
|                              | A Too soon/late (Class 5)     |  |
| Stop Signs                   | B Too soon/late (Class 1-4)   |  |
| A Fails to notice in advance | C Not cancelled               |  |
| B Approaches too fast        | D No signal given             |  |
| C Hesitant in leaving        | E Wrong signal                |  |
| D Stops too far ahead/back   | F Dangerous action            |  |
| of stop line                 |                               |  |
| E Incomplete stop            |                               |  |
| F Violation/Dangerous action |                               |  |

| Intersections                         |        | Attention                      |   |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|---|
| A Blocks crosswalk/                   |        | A Fails to follow instructions |   |
| intersection                          |        | B Overconfident/improper       |   |
| B Brakes after entering               |        | attitude                       |   |
| C Speed too fast/slow                 |        | C Fails to observe conditions  |   |
| D Fails to observe/scan/              |        | or signs which might affect    |   |
| incautious                            |        | operation                      |   |
| E Dangerous action                    |        | D Fails to clear windows       |   |
|                                       |        | E Poor observation             |   |
| Lane Usage                            |        | F Takes eyes off road          |   |
| A Late choosing lane/cro              | wds    | G Fails to observe conditions, |   |
| centre/shoulder                       |        | necessitates fast action       |   |
| B Improper lane change                | 1      | to avoid                       |   |
| merge                                 |        | H Dangerous action             |   |
| C Driving left of centre              |        |                                |   |
| D Wrong lane                          |        | Speed                          | _ |
| E Straddles lane                      |        | A Inconsistent speed           | Ц |
| F Fails to observe                    |        | B Slow, but not so as to       |   |
| conditions/inadequate                 | _      | obstruct traffic               | U |
| blind spot                            | ū      | C Too fast                     |   |
| G Dangerous action                    |        | D Too slow                     |   |
| De al de a                            |        | E Violation/Dangerous action   | Ч |
| Parking                               |        |                                |   |
| A Over 15 cm but under                |        |                                |   |
| 30 cm                                 | Ц      |                                |   |
| B Improper position—                  | П      |                                |   |
| vehicle/wheels                        | _      |                                |   |
| C Fails to set brake/wron             | ig     |                                |   |
| gear                                  |        |                                |   |
| D Hits curbs/object                   |        |                                |   |
| E More than three atten F Climbs curb | npts 🔲 |                                |   |
| G Poor observation—                   |        |                                |   |
| before/while                          |        |                                |   |
| H Over 30 cm from curb                |        |                                |   |
| I Dangerous action                    |        |                                |   |