ONTARIO PRACTICE TESTS

School Bus & Bus Licence: 80 Key Questions

Class B and Class C questions and answers, based on the Official MTO Bus Handbook

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Class B (school bus)

1. What type of vehicle may a Class B licence holder drive?
✓ **Any school-purposes bus**

2. For Class B, how many demerit points may an applicant have accumulated?
✓ **Not more than six**

3. A school bus used for a Class B road test must be:
✓ **Of appropriate seating capacity for the licence class**

4. At a railway crossing, the school bus overhead flashing lights and stop arm should:
✓ **Not be activated for the railway stop**

5. A school-bus driver should not load or unload passengers:
✓ **On a steep grade or curve**

6. Within a designated school-bus loading zone, the driver should:
✓ **Not operate the flashing lights and stop arm**

7. A driver is not permitted to drive a school bus unless an inspection was conducted and a report completed within the previous:
✓ **24 hours**

8. On a highway over 60 km/h, commercial motor vehicles generally must keep at least what following distance from another vehicle, except when overtaking and passing?
✓ **60 metres**

9. Before moving after unloading, the driver should make sure:
✓ **Every student is clear of the bus area and the area is safe**

10. A school-bus stop arm light, when required, should be:
✓ **Red and alternate properly**

11. A commercial licence holder aged 46 to 64 must file a medical report:
✓ **Every three years**

12. A suspension in the past 12 months for speeding by more than how much over the limit makes you ineligible for Class B or E?
✓ **50 km/h**

13. Since May 11, 2026, Class B and E applicants must also provide documents showing:
✓ **Ontario residency and the right to work in Canada**

14. On the B/E road test, at what speed should you reverse the bus?
✓ **At a walking pace**

15. What should students use as a guide when crossing in front of the bus?
✓ **The crossing arm**

16. At a traffic-signal intersection where the red lights and stop arm are not used, the driver should stop:
✓ **As close to the intersection as possible, near the curb**

17. The stopping-for-school-buses law applies:
✓ **Regardless of the posted speed limit**

18. To report a vehicle that illegally passed your stopped school bus, you should:
✓ **Call 911 right away**

19. Under full emergency braking, a train may need up to how far to stop?
✓ **Two kilometres**

20. After stopping at a railway crossing, the driver must make sure the bus:
✓ **Does not roll forward or backward**

21. Air pressure taking longer than two minutes to build from 85 to 100 psi is:
✓ **A minor defect**

22. A flat tire, or a tire leak you can hear or feel, is:
✓ **A major defect**

23. A missing fire extinguisher on a school bus is a major defect when:
✓ **The bus is carrying passengers**

24. While driving, the school-bus driver must carry:
✓ **The current inspection report and the schedule**

25. At night, use low beams when following another vehicle within:
✓ **60 metres**

26. Which parts of the road usually freeze first?
✓ **Bridges, overpasses and shaded areas**

27. On a curve to the right, a bus driver should keep the front wheels:
✓ **Close to the left side of the lane**

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28. Where should school-bus evacuation drills be held?
✓ **In a safe, traffic-free area on school property**

29. After students are out, the driver should:
✓ **Walk the length of the bus to check, then exit last**

30. At a collision with no fire or explosion risk, injured people should be:
✓ **Left where they are until medical help arrives**

31. A Class E licence lets you drive a school-purposes bus with seats for how many passengers?
✓ **24 or fewer**

32. What words must be on the rear of a school bus, besides "School Bus"?
✓ **Do not pass when signals flashing**

33. Newer safety equipment such as motion detectors and crossing barriers improves safety only when:
✓ **Drivers and passengers are trained to use it**

34. After unloading, the driver must watch each student until they:
✓ **Have crossed safely and reached a safe area**

35. A driver stopped for a school bus with red lights flashing may go when:
✓ **The bus moves, or the red lights stop and the stop arm is retracted**

36. At a railway crossing with a gate that is going up, you should:
✓ **Wait until the gate has risen before crossing**

37. Besides the front and rear doors, which exits can be used to evacuate a school bus?
✓ **Roof hatches and side push-out windows**

38. Tire retreads on a school bus are allowed:
✓ **On rear wheels only**

39. The minimum tread depth for school-bus tires other than steer tires is:
✓ **1.5 mm**

40. Before backing up a bus, you should turn on the four-way flashers and:
✓ **Sound the horn**

🚍 Class C (bus)

41. What type of vehicle may a Class C licence holder drive?
✓ **Any regular bus**

42. A Class C applicant must meet:
✓ **Medical and vision standards**

43. The Class C/F road test backing component may require:
✓ **Offset backing or a 90-degree alley dock**

44. A bus with a major defect:
✓ **Must not be driven until the defect is addressed as required**

45. For a regular bus, operators are responsible for arranging:
✓ **Annual and semi-annual inspections**

46. For Class C/F vehicles, required passenger or mobility-device restraints should:
✓ **Function properly**

47. Before the Class C road test, the examiner must be provided with:
✓ **A valid completed daily inspection report and applicable schedule**

48. A Class C applicant is also expected to study truck knowledge because a bus-licence applicant must successfully complete:
✓ **A Class D truck knowledge test**

49. During the in-cab inspection, the heater and defroster should:
✓ **Work in all positions**

50. Which of these vehicles can a Class F licence holder drive?
✓ **A regular 15-passenger van used as a bus**

51. How soon must you tell the Ministry of Transportation about a change of name or address?
✓ **Within six days**

52. How early should you arrive for your Class C or F road test?
✓ **At least 30 minutes before your appointment**

53. During the exterior part of the daily inspection test, how many items will you inspect?
✓ **Four randomly selected items**

54. A bus driver may not drive after how many hours on-duty in a day?
✓ **14 hours**

55. With brakes fully applied and the engine off, an air pressure drop of more than how much in one minute is a major defect?
✓ **3 psi (21 kPa)**

56. A spring with a single broken leaf (not the main leaf) is:
✓ **A minor defect**

57. A wheel with a loose or missing fastener (nut) is:
✓ **A major defect**

58. What colour is the semi-annual inspection decal placed on a bus?
✓ **Orange**

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59. What is the most common cause of parking brake failure?
✓ **Driving with the parking brake on**

60. How far may a train need to stop under full emergency braking?
✓ **Up to 2 kilometres**

61. Why might stopping just 5 metres from the nearest rail be too close at a crossing with gates?
✓ **The gate arm could hit the bus**

62. What does the railway crossing sign look like?
✓ **A white X shape with a red outline**

63. Before going down a long hill, which gear should you choose?
✓ **The same low gear you would use to climb the hill**

64. Which backing method is the easiest and safest?
✓ **Straight-line backing**

65. You are driving a bus out of a bus bay back into traffic. You should:
✓ **Flash your left-turn signal and proceed with caution**

66. With anti-lock brakes (ABS), if you feel the brake pedal pulse during hard braking you should:
✓ **Keep pressing the pedal**

67. It is illegal to follow within how many metres of a fire truck or ambulance answering a call?
✓ **150 metres**

68. A school bus has its red lights flashing and stop arm out. Coming from behind, how far back must you stop?
✓ **At least 20 metres**

69. A collision must be reported to police if there are injuries or damage over:
✓ **$5,000**

70. Your brakes fail on a level road. You should:
✓ **Downshift and use engine compression, using the emergency brake only if needed**

71. A Class F licence lets you drive a bus (not a school-purposes bus) with how many passenger seats?
✓ **10 to 24**

72. A bus driver who is 46 to 64 years old must submit a medical report:
✓ **Every three years**

73. An air brake pushrod stroke that is longer than the prescribed limit is:
✓ **A major defect**

74. What is the most important concern for a bus driver?
✓ **The safety of the passengers**

75. Before a railway crossing, the advance warning includes yellow signs and:
✓ **A large X painted on the road**

76. Before turning right, why should you check your right blind spot?
✓ **So you do not cut off a cyclist**

77. Which are the three types of retarders?
✓ **Exhaust brakes, engine brakes and driveline retarders**

78. After a collision, an injured person may be in shock. If you have no first-aid training, you should:
✓ **Cover them with a jacket or blanket**

79. To start a new 7-day cycle, a driver must take how many consecutive hours off duty?
✓ **36 hours**

80. When driving in fog, what should you use as a guide?
✓ **The right edge of the road**

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