

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR INSTRUCTORS OF LEARNER DRIVERS

The following requirements are applicable to Driving School Instructors in KwaZulu-Natal as an interim measure and until such time that the National Road Traffic Act, Act 93 of 1996 is amended.

1. An Instructor must have an office or something similar where the Instructor's records are filed and where contact with the instructor can be made regularly. Furthermore, an Instructor (or school) must maintain the following records, which must be kept up to date on a daily basis and such record must be available for inspection. Records should be kept for a period of 2 years after the pupil has completed his / her tuition.
 - (a) Name, address and identity number of pupil.
 - (b) Number of hours and dates of tuition.
 - (c) Fees paid by the pupil to the Instructor.
 - (d) The type of driving licence for which the pupil received tuition.
 - (e) The number of hours' tuition received on urban and rural roads separately.
 - (f) Results of the prescribed Road Traffic Inspectorate competency test.
2. Motor vehicles used for instructional purposes must be fitted with dual-control clutch and footbrake and a second rear-view mirror. In the case of an automatic transmission vehicle, dual-control of the footbrake and a second rear-view mirror, all for usage of the Instructor.
3. A motor vehicle, while being used for instructional and driving tests purposes, must carry the name of the driving school thereon for identification purposes. (This also acts as a warning to other motorists that the vehicle is probably being driven by a learner-driver).
4. Pupils must be covered by comprehensive insurance in case of claims.
5. The applicant (Instructor) has not been convicted of any traffic related driving offence / serious criminal offence.
6. Applicant must be in possession of a particular class of driving licence for a minimum period of 3 years, i.e. if applicant was 18 years of age when issued with a code B driving licence, application for an Instructors Certificate can only be made at the age of 21 years when three years have expired. If 24 years of age when issued with a code C drivers licence such applicant will be 27 years of age, when application is made to instruct in a code C vehicle.

Note: The applicant must have been in possession of a particular code of driving licence for at least 3 years before he / she may instruct pupils in that same class.
7. The competency test of an Instructor shall be conducted by a senior official at the Driving Licence Testing Centre (in the case of the Road Traffic Inspectorate a Principal Provincial Inspector) and will be valid for a period of three years. The competency test for an Instructor will incorporate:
 - (a) the learner's licence test as determined by the KZN Department of Transport

Learners Licence minimum pass marks:

Rules of the Road	=	25
Road Traffic Signs	=	25
Controls of Vehicles	=	7

- (b) those parts of the National Road Traffic Act , Act 93 of 1996, pertaining to the licensing of drivers and road traffic signs; and
- (c) the passing of a practical K53 driving test

Practical test for Light Motor Vehicles – maximum penalty points and time

Yard Test = 25 penalty points
Road Test = 4 penalty points per minute

Practical test for Heavy motor Vehicle – maximum penalty points and time

Yard Test = 10 penalty points
Road Test = 3 penalty points per minute

Note: Instructors doing a Code C1 Instructors test must also be tested in a Code B.

- 8. The Instructor must be in possession of a valid PrDP, where applicable.
- 9. Instructor's permit is to be renewed annually. The following original documentation is to be submitted together with the application to renew an Instructor's permit:
 - (a) Medical certificate
 - (b) SAPS criminal record clearance certificate (The fact that an applicant has only applied for a SAPS clearance cannot be accepted for purposes of a renewal. The SAPS clearance certificate must be produced.)
 - (c) Driving licence

Effective date: 1st September 2006.