

California Highway Patrol
Practice Test #2

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Read each question carefully, circle the most correct or best answer.

1. The Department of Education's Training Certificate, Form T-01 is at all times the property of the:
 - a. California Highway Patrol
 - b. Department of Education
 - c. Department of Motor Vehicles
 - d. State of California

2. All school bus applicants and all applicants employed for compensation by another for the purpose of driving a motor vehicle on the highway shall be at least:
 - a. 18 years old
 - b. 21 years old
 - c. 23 years old
 - d. 25 years old

3. Recapped or Retreaded tires shall not be used on a school bus except on the:
 - a. Tag wheels
 - b. Rear wheels
 - c. Front wheels
 - d. Recaps or retreads shall not be used

4. A School Bus equipped with hydraulic brakes shall not be moved unless the vacuum gauge indicates more than _____ inches of mercury.
 - a. 6
 - b. 8
 - c. 10
 - d. 15

5. When the services of a driver are used by more than one motor carrier during any 24-hour period in effect at the driver's home terminal, the driver shall submit a copy of the record of duty status to each motor carrier.
 - a. Once every 24 hours
 - b. At the end of the week
 - c. When the reporting for duty
 - d. When being released from duty

6. The CHP Motor Carrier inspector signed the vehicle inspection certificate on 12-17-16. When is the last day you can operate this bus.
 - a. 01-17-17
 - b. 12-17-17
 - c. 01-17-18
 - d. 12-17-18

7. In order to maintain a California Special Driver Certificate, school bus drivers who have failed to take the first aid examination at the CHP Office are required to possess a valid first aid card for:
 - a. 2 years
 - b. 3 years
 - c. 5 years
 - d. Duration of the Certificate

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8. The driver of a school bus shall insure that there is sufficient interior lighting:
 - a. At all times with passengers aboard
 - b. Whenever deemed necessary
 - c. For passengers to Enter and exit safely
 - d. Both B and C
9. If you experience a front tire blow out, you should do all but one of the following:
 - a. Apply the accelerator pedal
 - b. Maintain a firm grip on the steering wheel
 - c. Apply the service brakes immediately
 - d. When control is gained, apply the parking brake
10. Which agency is responsible for developing and approving all courses of study for drivers that will provide them with the skills and knowledge to drive a school bus:
 - a. California Highway Patrol
 - b. Department of Motor Vehicles
 - c. California Department of Education
 - d. California Code of Regulations
11. Of the following below which is not a California Highway Patrol responsibility?
 - a. Inspecting Drivers Records
 - b. Investigating School Bus Accidents
 - c. Issuance of the temporary California Special Drivers Certificate
 - d. Designating all bus stops
12. When operating a School Bus that is designed to transport 24 passengers and the driver, the contents of the first aid kit shall have a minimum of:
 - a. 8 Units
 - b. 10 Units
 - c. 16 Units
 - d. 24 Units
13. A school bus stop may not be closer than _____ feet to the nearest rail of any railroad crossing:
 - a. 50 feet
 - b. 100 feet
 - c. 200 feet
 - d. 500 feet
14. A type 1 school bus is designed to carry:
 - a. 16 passengers and the drivers
 - b. not more than 16 passengers and the driver
 - c. more than 16 passengers and the driver
 - d. not more than 20 passengers and the driver if the vehicle has gross weight rating of 10,000 lbs or less.
15. In a business or residential district where the speed limit is 25 mph or less, a driver of a school bus is prohibited from stopping the bus on the roadway side of any vehicle stopped, parked or standing at the curb or edge of highway except when:
 - a. To stop and discipline students
 - b. Stopping to load and unload pupils
 - c. The driver is unable to find a parking space
 - d. Safe and visibility is a minimum of 500 feet in both directions of the stopped vehicle

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16. If you increase _____, it will cause a decrease in _____
- Speed, Braking Distance
 - Speed, Traction
 - Following Distance, Perception
 - Visual Lead Time, Reaction Time
17. If the driver of a bus exceeds the manufacturers recommended RPM Governor speed, the automatic transmission will:
- Not Shift
 - Up shift
 - Down shift
 - Shift to Neutral
18. If you are losing air pressure rapidly from one of the air tanks but the other air tank is holding air pressure at 100 lbs of pressure indicated by the dual air pressure gauge on the dash, which would be the safest way to bring this bus to a stop:
- Apply the brake pedal as you would normally
 - Pull out the Parking / Emergency Brake Knob
 - Turn off the engine
 - None of the above, when the air pressure gets low enough the brakes apply automatically
19. Unless approved by the CHP, a school bus stop shall not be made upon a roadway where there is not a clear view of the stop for _____ in both directions, and the speed limit is more than 25 mph.
- 100 feet
 - 200 feet
 - 500 feet
 - 1000 feet
20. A school bus may be equipped with a white strobe light mounted so as to be visible from the front, sides, or rear of the bus which may only be lighted when atmospheric conditions such as fog, rain, snow, smoke or dust, reduce the visibility to less than:
- 50 feet
 - 100 feet
 - 200 feet
 - 500 feet
21. The driver of a school bus shall ensure the headlamps are lighted:
- Whenever pupils are aboard
 - Whenever the bus is in motion
 - Whenever the bus is in motion and pupils are aboard
 - Whenever adverse weather conditions exists and during hours of darkness
22. The California Department of Education's Training Certificate T-01 shall be signed and dated by the driver within _____ days after the end of each training period.
- 10
 - 15
 - 30
 - 45
23. The training period specified on the California Department of Education's Training Certificate T-01 ends on _____.
- the last day of the year
 - Drivers Birthday
 - Certificate Renewal Date
 - Certificate Issuance Date

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24. While driving at night you should dim your headlights:
- within 300' of following a car and within 500' on an oncoming car
 - within 300' of following a car and within 350' on an oncoming car
 - within 350' of following a car and within 500' on an oncoming car
 - within 500' of following a car and within 300' on an oncoming car
25. The D.M.V. shall deny or revoke a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus applicant or certificate holder for all but one of the following reasons:
- Has been convicted of any sex offense as defined in Education Code 44010
 - Has had his/her driving privilege suspended, revoked or placed on probation
 - Has failed to meet prescribed testing or training requirements for certificate issuance
 - Has been dismissed as a driver for a cause relating to pupil transportation safety
26. The D.M.V. may cancel the school bus, school pupil activity bus, youth bus or farm labor drivers certificate for all but one of the following reasons:
- The driver has requested cancellation
 - Has been convicted of a D.U.I.
 - Has failed to meet any of the requirements for issuance or retention of the certificate
 - Driver does not have a valid license of the appropriate class
27. School bus stops are designated by:
- CHP
 - Bus Driver
 - School District Superintendent
 - School District Governing Board
28. A driver on an extended leave of absence due to illness, or lack of employment as a driver, must within _____ days of returning to work, submit proof of receiving training to the local CHP Office.
- 15 days
 - 45 days
 - 30 days
 - 60 days
29. When warning devices are placed on a one-way road because of a disabled vehicle, place the reflectors:
- 10 feet to the front or rear, 100 feet to the rear, 100 feet to the front
 - 10 feet to the rear, 100 feet to the rear, 200 feet to the rear
 - 10 feet to the rear, 100 feet to the rear, 100 feet to the front
 - 10 feet to the front, 100 feet to the rear, 500 feet to the rear
30. A driver approaching a school bus with the red-light crossover lamps activated that is upon the other side of the roadway need not stop at the following locations.
- Divided or Multiple Lane Highway
 - Expressway or Freeway
 - Highway with Solid Double Yellow Lines
 - Two Lane Highway with a Left Turn Center Lane
31. If you are turning left from a single left turn lane onto a multi lane road, which lane can you enter:
- the right lane
 - the left lane
 - the far left lane only
 - any lane that is safe and available to you

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32. A driver is exempt from the requirements of maintaining a driver's record of duty status for the following reason:
- Driver operates within 100 air mile radius of the normal work reporting location
 - Driver returns to the work location and is released from work within 16 hours
 - The motor carrier maintains accurate and true time records
 - All of the above
33. The driver of a school bus or S.P.A.B. driver shall not make any repairs of the bus or its equipment out on the road unless the driver is the:
- Motor Carrier Safety Inspector
 - School Bus Operational Supervisor
 - Mechanic charged with the care and maintenance
 - Director of School Transportation
34. Motor carriers and drivers shall not transport or knowingly permit passengers to carry any hazardous materials exceptions are made for:
- Oxygen medically prescribed
 - Personal use articles in the immediate possession of a passenger
 - There are no exceptions, hazardous materials shall not be transported
 - Both A and B
35. If you violate the idling regulations at a school site, you are subject to a _____ fine.
- \$50
 - \$100
 - \$300
 - \$500
36. A driver received a physical on 09-10-17. On 12-1-17, this driver has a birthday and will turn 65. This driver will have to have another physical not later than:
- 09/10/19
 - 09/10/18
 - 12/31/17
 - 12/01/17
37. All behind the wheel instruction required to obtain a school bus certificate must be given by:
- a State Certified Instructor
 - a State Certified Instructor or delegated Behind the wheel trainer
 - a Department of Motor Vehicles Certified Instructor
 - All of the above
38. When a driver fails to maintain required training hours as required by the Department of Education, upon the second occurrence of failure to acquire the required training hours, the California Highway Patrol will recommend to the Department of Motor Vehicles to
- cancel the California Special Certificate
 - suspend the California Special Certificate
 - revoke the California Special Certificate
 - none of the above
39. Upon arriving at a school, the driver of a school bus is required to manually turn off their engine and restart the engine no more than _____ before departing.
- 15 seconds
 - 30 seconds
 - 45 seconds

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- d. 1 minute
40. What is the name of the certificate that must be displayed in each school bus, SPAB, youth bus, farm labor vehicle and GPPV in an easy to reach and visible area of the driver's compartment:
- a. California Bus Operations Certificate, CHP 292
 - b. California Inspection Approval Certificate, CHP 292
 - c. Vehicle Inspection Approval Certificate, CHP 292
 - d. Motor Carrier School Bus Approval Certificate, CHP 292
41. Renewal applicants must renew their certificate _____ after the certificate expiration date otherwise the driver will be considered an original applicant.
- a. 30 days
 - b. 60 days
 - c. 6 months
 - d. 12 months
42. A driver dismissed for pupil transportation safety may have their California Special Drivers Certificate:
- a. Denied
 - b. Suspended
 - c. Revoked
 - d. All of the above
43. When handling student discipline problems on the bus it is best to:
- a. not hold a grudge
 - b. not to threaten the group
 - c. not to get involved in power struggles
 - d. all of the above
44. The driver of a school bus or any other person who observes a motor vehicle violate VC Section 22454 by overtaking a school bus operating its flashing red light signal system and/or having the stop signal arm deployed may within _____ report the violation to the C.H.P.
- a. 12 hours
 - b. 24 hours
 - c. 2 days
 - d. 5 days
45. A school bus driver approaching a school bus stop that is exempt from the use of the red lights shall:
- a. Activate ambers at 100 feet
 - b. Activate ambers at 200 feet
 - c. Do not activate the ambers
 - d. Activate the hazards at 200 feet
46. Type I and a Type II school bus is required to have all the mirrors listed below except:
- a. Left side flat mirror
 - b. Right side flat mirror
 - c. Cross over mirror
 - d. Left and right side convex mirrors
47. What is the speed limit at an intersection where you cannot see for 100 feet in either direction
- a. 10 Mph
 - b. 15 Mph
 - c. 25 Mph
 - d. 30 Mph

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48. Before traversing a railroad grade crossing, the driver of a school bus shall do all but one of the following:
- Stop no closer than 15 feet nor more than 50 feet
 - Gears shall not be shifted manually while crossing the tracks
 - Open the door of a Type I bus and the window of a Type II bus
 - Shall apply parking brake.
49. The Department of Motor Vehicles may refuse to issue or renew, or may suspend or revoke a School Bus Drivers Special Certificate if the applicant has:
- Has knowingly made a false statement on an application for a certificate.
 - Has violated any restriction on the certificate.
 - Does not meet the minimum medical standards established or approved by the Department of Motor Vehicles.
 - Any of the above
50. A school bus driver need not stop at a railroad crossing with this exempt sign:
- Yellow Lettering with black background
 - Black Lettering with yellow background
 - Are required to stop at all railroad crossings.
 - None of the above
51. Four way flashers (hazard lights) on a school bus are permitted when:
- Disabled or parked off the roadway but within 10 feet of the roadway
 - Approaching, stopped at or departing from a railroad grade crossing
 - To warn other motorists or pedestrians on a roadway during a backing maneuver.
 - All of the above
52. There is a blind spot immediately:
- Below each mirror
 - In front of each mirror
 - Directly in back of the rear bumper
 - All of the Above
53. The purpose of a lookout during the backing of a school bus is to:
- Give you directions on which way to back
 - To stop traffic and move objects in the way
 - To warn you of obstacles, and other vehicles
 - All of the Above
54. A school bus can have up to a ____ foot tail swing:
- 3
 - 5
 - 7
 - 9
55. The blind spot behind the school bus extends:
- 0 to 85 feet
 - 0 to 150 feet
 - 25 to 85 feet
 - 50 to 150 feet
56. Depending on the length and width of the bus the blind spot behind the bus could extend up to _____ feet
- 100
 - 200
 - 300
 - 400

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57. Students should approach the bus to board only when:
- Signaled by the driver
 - Once the bus has stopped
 - The red lights have been activated
 - The entrance door has been opened
58. During the unloading procedures on your route, if you cannot account for a student outside your bus you should:
- Check all your mirrors and blind areas around your bus
 - Secure your bus, check around and underneath your bus
 - Check the danger zone, around the bus and underneath your bus
 - Secure your bus, check your mirrors and the danger zone around your bus
59. Students who drop items near the bus during loading and unloading should:
- Move out of the danger zone and attempt to get the driver's attention
 - Attempt to get the driver's attention to retrieve the item
 - Wait until the bus pulls away to pick up the item
 - Pick up the item immediately
60. Backing a school bus is:
- Strongly discouraged
 - Dangerous and increases your risk of a collision
 - Only done when there is no other safe way to move the bus
 - All of the above

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Answer Key

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| 1) d | 21) b | 41) d |
| 2) a | 22) c | 42) d |
| 3) b | 23) b | 43) d |
| 4) b | 24) a | 44) b |
| 5) c | 25) d | 45) c |
| 6) c | 26) b | 46) d |
| 7) d | 27) c | 47) b |
| 8) d | 28) c | 48) d |
| 9) c | 29) b | 49) d |
| 10) c | 30) a | 50) a |
| 11) d | 31) d | 51) d |
| 12) c | 32) d | 52) d |
| 13) c | 33) c | 53) c |
| 14) c | 34) d | 54) a |
| 15) b | 35) c | 55) d |
| 16) b | 36) c | 56) d |
| 17) b | 37) b | 57) a |
| 18) a | 38) a | 58) b |
| 19) c | 39) b | 59) a |
| 20) d | 40) c | 60) d |