

California DMV Class C Foundation Worksheet

8 original questions, working space and separate answer explanations. Version 2026-10-27.

Scope

California Class C written-knowledge foundations; not nationwide DMV coverage or behind-the-wheel training.

This is an untimed foundation study sample, not an official examination or complete mock test. Author-reviewed learning materials; independent educator review and learner calibration remain pending.

How to use this worksheet

Work through the questions before opening the answer section. Write your calculation or the reason for your choice. After checking the explanation, return to the linked lesson for any unfamiliar distinction.

<https://openexam.site/exams/dmv-permit/worksheets/>

QUESTION 1 / Read signals and regulatory signs

A STOP sign has a painted limit line. Which response follows the applicable California handbook rule?

- A. Stop completely before the limit line or crosswalk.
- B. Follow the car ahead without a separate stop.
- C. Stop only if a pedestrian is already in the lane.
- D. Roll through slowly if the intersection looks empty.

Working / reasoning:

Item dmv-permit-stop-sign-1 | Lesson: <https://openexam.site/exams/dmv-permit/learn/controls/>

QUESTION 2 / Resolve right-of-way conflicts

A driver reaches an all-way stop after a cyclist has already stopped. Which response follows the applicable California handbook rule?

- A. Go first because a larger vehicle has priority.
- B. Yield to the road user that stopped before you.
- C. Go first because vehicles on the right always outrank earlier arrivals.
- D. Treat a wave from a following driver as official traffic control.

Working / reasoning:

Item dmv-permit-arrival-priority-2 | Lesson: <https://openexam.site/exams/dmv-permit/learn/priority/>

QUESTION 3 / Share space with vulnerable and large road users

Traffic slows while a car sits in a truck's side blind area. Which response follows the applicable California handbook rule?

- A. Leave the blind area when safe.
- B. Use the horn as a substitute for leaving the blind area.
- C. Assume large mirrors eliminate every blind spot.
- D. Stay close because the truck driver sits higher.

Working / reasoning:

Item dmv-permit-truck-blind-3 | Lesson: <https://openexam.site/exams/dmv-permit/learn/sharing/>

QUESTION 4 / Select a speed for the visible conditions

Poor visibility develops on an unfamiliar road. Which response follows the applicable California handbook rule?

- A. Match the fastest nearby driver regardless of visibility.
- B. Maintain the posted maximum because it is always safe.
- C. Reduce speed to account for the current visibility and road conditions.
- D. Treat a posted maximum as a required minimum.

Working / reasoning:

Item dmv-permit-basic-speed-4 | Lesson: <https://openexam.site/exams/dmv-permit/learn/speed/>

QUESTION 5 / Prepare for rain, fog, and low traction

Rain starts while the driver is using only parking lights. Which response follows the applicable California handbook rule?

- A. Turn off all lights to reduce reflections.
- B. Use high beams solely to overpower reflected glare.
- C. Use low-beam headlights and adjust speed and space.
- D. Use parking lights alone because it is daytime.

Working / reasoning:

Item dmv-permit-rain-lights-1 | Lesson: <https://openexam.site/exams/dmv-permit/learn/weather/>

QUESTION 6 / Build observation and following space

A queue is beginning to form farther down the road. Which response follows the applicable California handbook rule?

- A. Watch only the center of the car immediately ahead.
- B. Look exclusively in the rearview mirror.
- C. Wait for brake lights nearby before looking farther ahead.
- D. Scan at least 10 seconds ahead.

Working / reasoning:

Item dmv-permit-look-ahead-2 | Lesson: <https://openexam.site/exams/dmv-permit/learn/space/>

QUESTION 7 / Respect lane barriers and special lanes

The desired exit is near but a double white lane barrier remains. Which response follows the applicable California handbook rule?

- A. Stay in the lane until a permitted broken-line opening appears.
- B. Cross whenever no other vehicle is close.
- C. Cross if a passenger prefers the neighboring lane.
- D. Cross because white lines never restrict lane changes.

Working / reasoning:

Item dmv-permit-double-white-3 | Lesson: <https://openexam.site/exams/dmv-permit/learn/lanes/>

QUESTION 8 / Prepare a turn without surprising others

A cyclist is traveling beside a car approaching a right turn. Which response follows the applicable California handbook rule?

- A. Signal only after beginning the turn.
- B. Omit a signal when the destination is familiar.
- C. Assume signaling obligates cyclists and pedestrians to stop.
- D. Signal early and check for conflicts.

Working / reasoning:

Item dmv-permit-turn-signal-4 | Lesson: <https://openexam.site/exams/dmv-permit/learn/turns/>

California DMV Class C: Answers & Explanations

Compare the method or rule as well as the final answer. These explanations are study aids, not official scoring guidance.

QUESTION 1 / dmv-permit-stop-sign-1

Answer: Stop completely before the limit line or crosswalk.

1. Identify the relevant condition: A STOP sign has a painted limit line.
2. Stop completely at the limit line, then check and yield before proceeding.
3. A rolling stop leaves the crossing conflict unresolved and does not satisfy a stop sign.

QUESTION 2 / dmv-permit-arrival-priority-2

Answer: Yield to the road user that stopped before you.

1. Identify the relevant condition: A driver reaches an all-way stop after a cyclist has already stopped.
2. At an all-way stop, the first vehicle to arrive and stop goes first when the movement is safe.
3. Arrival order resolves this case; arrival at the same time requires a different tie rule.

QUESTION 3 / dmv-permit-truck-blind-3

Answer: Leave the blind area when safe.

1. Identify the relevant condition: Traffic slows while a car sits in a truck's side blind area.
2. If the truck's side mirrors cannot be seen, the driver may be unable to see your vehicle.
3. Large vehicle blind spots can hide a nearby vehicle despite the truck having large mirrors.

QUESTION 4 / dmv-permit-basic-speed-4

Answer: Reduce speed to account for the current visibility and road conditions.

1. Identify the relevant condition: Poor visibility develops on an unfamiliar road.
2. Drive at a speed safe for current conditions even when it is below the posted maximum.
3. A posted maximum does not establish a safe speed for every weather, visibility, or traffic condition.

QUESTION 5 / dmv-permit-rain-lights-1

Answer: Use low-beam headlights and adjust speed and space.

1. Identify the relevant condition: Rain starts while the driver is using only parking lights.
2. Use low-beam headlights in rain instead of relying on parking lights.
3. Low beams improve visibility without the problems associated with high-beam glare in poor weather.

QUESTION 6 / dmv-permit-look-ahead-2

Answer: Scan at least 10 seconds ahead.

1. Identify the relevant condition: A queue is beginning to form farther down the road.
2. Scan at least 10 seconds ahead while continuing to observe nearby traffic.
3. Looking farther ahead reveals developing conflicts before they demand emergency action.

QUESTION 7 / dmv-permit-double-white-3

Answer: Stay in the lane until a permitted broken-line opening appears.

1. Identify the relevant condition: The desired exit is near but a double white lane barrier remains.
2. Do not change lanes across double solid white lines; use a designated broken-line opening.
3. These lines form a lane barrier even if the adjacent lane seems convenient.

QUESTION 8 / dmv-permit-turn-signal-4

Answer: Signal early and check for conflicts.

1. Identify the relevant condition: A cyclist is traveling beside a car approaching a right turn.
2. Signal about 100 feet before a turn while still checking for conflicting road users.
3. The signal communicates a planned maneuver; it does not grant priority or replace observation.

References and scope notes

The questions and teaching explanations are original catalog materials. References support the selected concepts; they are not endorsements or a reproduced official examination bank.

California DMV navigating the roads

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/handbook/california-driver-handbook/navigating-the-roads/>

California DMV laws and rules of the road

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/handbook/california-driver-handbook/laws-and-rules-of-the-road/>

California DMV laws and rules of the road cont1

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/handbook/california-driver-handbook/laws-and-rules-of-the-road-cont1/>

California DMV safe driving

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/handbook/california-driver-handbook/safe-driving/>

California DMV safe driving cont2

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/handbook/california-driver-handbook/safe-driving-cont2/>

California Class C scope only; other states, motorcycles, commercial licensing, and practical driving skills are not comprehensively covered.

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