

Before Scheduling a Driving Test

Checklist adapted from the Driving Skills Test Study Guide

E-Z Way is a state-certified third-party testing organization. The requirements below are set by the Department of State, not by E-Z Way. Please review this checklist before scheduling an appointment.

Questions? You can refer to the FAQ page on our website (www.ezwaytesting.com/faq) or call us directly at (269) 353-8704. Thank you for choosing E-Z Way Driver Testing!

1. Test Eligibility Requirements

Applicants Under 18	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Have a Graduated Level 1 Driver License for at least 6 months. Test must be scheduled at least 6 months past the issue date on the level 1 license. ¹
<input type="checkbox"/>	The test must be scheduled before the applicant's 18th birthday.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Completed Segment 2 of Driver's Training. Certificate must be presented at the time of the applicant's test.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Documented 50 hours of practice driving. At least 10 of these hours must be night driving.

¹ The printed date may not be accurate if the applicant has had their license replaced/upgraded. If you don't know the original issue date, please call us at (269) 353-8704 to verify eligibility. We will need the applicant's date of birth and Michigan Driver's License Number.

Applicants 18+ Years Old	
If the applicant has a Temporary Instruction Permit (TIP) ²	<input type="checkbox"/> Check the Road Test Eligibility Date printed on the permit. The test must be scheduled on or after this date. <input type="checkbox"/> Test cannot be scheduled after the Expiration Date printed on the permit. If the TIP will expire before the test, the applicant must return to the Secretary of State to renew the TIP before scheduling.
If the applicant has a Driving Skills Test Authorization Receipt (DSTAR) ³	<input type="checkbox"/> Test cannot be scheduled after the expiration date printed on the DSTAR. Look for: "This receipt is valid until..."

² Temporary Instruction Permits (TIPs) are generally issued to first-time drivers or individuals restoring their driving privileges.

³ Driving Skills Test Authorization Receipts (DSTARs) are typically issued to people who recently moved to Michigan and have a valid driver's license in another country or state.

2. Document Checklist

All documents must be shown at the time of the test.

Applicants Under 18	
Graduated Level 1 License	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be physically present. ● Cannot be a photocopy or picture. ● Cannot be expired.
Segment 2 Certificate of Completion <i>Caution: not to be confused with the Segment 1 completion certificate.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Can be shown digitally. ● If lost or damaged, contact the applicant's driver's training company to request a replacement. ● Please note: getting a replacement can take several days!
Log of 50 practice driving hours, at least 10 of which were completed at night	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Can be shown digitally. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If using an app (e.g., RoadReady), please take screenshots in advance.

Applicants 18+ Years Old	
Temporary Instruction Permit (TIP) or Driving Skills Test Authorization Receipt (DSTAR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Be physically present; ○ Be the valid, original document from Secretary of State; ○ Be legible. ● Cannot be a photocopy or picture. ● Cannot be expired.
Photo ID or birth certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Photo ID does not have to be government-issued; school/work ID is acceptable ● Expired photo ID is acceptable ● If applicant does not have a photo ID, a birth certificate is acceptable

3. Vehicle Checklist

If the applicant is bringing a vehicle to use for the test, please check that the vehicle meets all state requirements. E-Z Way has vehicles available to rent in Kalamazoo and Battle Creek.

Please note: Vehicles from rental agencies and car dealerships are subject to additional requirements. Please call us at (269) 353-8704 for more information.

Required Vehicle Documents	
Proof of insurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can be shown digitally. Take screenshots in advance to avoid issues accessing your documents.• Cannot be expired. Double check expiration dates!• License plate tabs must match the registration and be applied to the license plate.
Proof of registration	

Vehicle Inspection List	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Brakes<input type="checkbox"/> Brake lights<input type="checkbox"/> Center-mounted brake light (usually above the rear windshield or on top of the trunk)<input type="checkbox"/> Doors<input type="checkbox"/> Fuel level<input type="checkbox"/> Headlights<input type="checkbox"/> Heater/defroster<input type="checkbox"/> Horn<input type="checkbox"/> Lug nuts (only one can be missing per vehicle)<input type="checkbox"/> Muffler<input type="checkbox"/> Rearview mirror	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Outside left (driver's side) mirror<input type="checkbox"/> Safety belts for all occupants<input type="checkbox"/> Seats for all occupants<input type="checkbox"/> Speedometer<input type="checkbox"/> Suspension components<input type="checkbox"/> Taillights<input type="checkbox"/> Tires (properly inflated; not damaged)<input type="checkbox"/> Turn signals (front and rear)<input type="checkbox"/> Windshield**<input type="checkbox"/> Windshield wipers and washers

* The driver and passenger doors must work from the inside and outside. Doors that cannot be opened are safety hazards.

** Examiners may refuse to administer a test if the vehicle's windshield is cracked in a way that obstructs the driver's view.