



## Obtaining Your Driver's Licence

Staying safe on the road is important for all drivers, and learning to drive is exciting for novice drivers. There are several steps that a driver must complete before obtaining a full driver's licence in South Australia.

The Road Safety Centre offers free road safety information sessions for learner and provisional licence holders, anywhere in the state.

### Obtaining a Learner's Permit:

To obtain a learner's permit, you must pass a theory test. This can be done by either:

- completing the 'myLs' course or
- passing a paper or computer based theory test (in-office at Services SA).

If obtaining a learner's permit by completing the 'myLs' course:

- you must complete an online interactive learning and assessment course
- you must complete the learner theory test online
- you may commence the course from 15 years and 9 months
- once you have passed and are 16 years of age or older you can apply for your learner's permit.

All testing information can be located in The Driver's Handbook – visit [www.mylicence.sa.gov.au](http://www.mylicence.sa.gov.au)

### Once you have obtained your Learner's Permit you are required to:

- drive with a qualified supervising driver seated next to you
- display L plates
- carry your learner's permit at all times while driving
- not drive with any concentration of alcohol/drugs in your blood
- not exceed the speed limit by 10km/h or more
- not exceed 100km/h at any time
- not use any function of your mobile phone – this includes Bluetooth, music and navigation
- not accumulate four or more demerit points.

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### The process of graduating from a Learner's Permit to Provisional 1 Licence:

- must be 17 years or older
- held a learner's permit for a minimum of 12 months
- completed at least 75 hours of supervised driving (including 15 hours of night driving)
- pass the Hazard Perception test
- Pass the practical driving test or complete the competency-based training and assessment (CBT&A) with a CBT&A instructor.

### Provisional 1 Licence conditions – you are required to:

- display P plates
- carry your provisional licence at all times while driving
- not drive with any concentration of alcohol/drugs in your blood
- not exceed the speed limit by 10km/h or more
- not exceed 100km/h at any time
- not use any function of your mobile phone – this includes Bluetooth, music and navigation
- not accumulate four or more demerit points.

### If under 25 years of age, you must not drive:

- between midnight and 5.00 am or
- with more than one passenger aged 16 to 20 years (excluding immediate family members)

unless a qualified supervising driver is seated next to you or you meet the exemption criteria. Exemption forms are available online at [mylicence.sa.gov.au](http://mylicence.sa.gov.au)

If you are under 25, you must not drive a high-powered vehicle (unless you have an exemption). Further information on high-powered vehicles can be found at [www.mylicence.sa.gov.au](http://www.mylicence.sa.gov.au)

### The process of graduating from a Provisional 1 to Provisional 2 Licence

- must be 18 years or older
- held a provisional 1 licence for at least 12 months.

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## Provisional 2 Licence conditions

Provisional 2 licence conditions are the same as provisional 1 except the curfew and passenger restrictions are removed and there is no requirement to display provisional plates.

## The process of graduating from a Provisional 2 Licence to Full Licence

- must be 20 years or older
- held a provisional 2 licence for at least two years.

The SA Police Road Safety Centre is a leader in road safety education, playing a vital role in reducing road trauma through enhancing the awareness, knowledge and skills of all road users through lifelong learning. For more information on our range of programs visit [www.police.sa.gov.au/road-safety](http://www.police.sa.gov.au/road-safety) or use the QR code below to take you straight to SAPOL's road safety page. To book a FREE road safety session email [SAPOL.RoadSafetySection@police.sa.gov.au](mailto:SAPOL.RoadSafetySection@police.sa.gov.au)

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