

# California DMV Practice Questions — Part 8

**1. You are driving on a two-lane mountain road. You encounter a vehicle coming downhill to pass you. What should you do?**

- A) You should back up and give downhill vehicle to pass you.
- B) Downhill vehicle should give you the right of way.
- C) Continue slowly and pass the other vehicle

**2. You are approaching a stopped emergency vehicle on the shoulder with flashing lights. Traffic is heavy. What is the safest action?**

- A) Pass closely to avoid delaying traffic
- B) Maintain speed in your lane
- C) Move over to another lane if possible or slow down

**3. You are driving on a freeway and a tire blows out. What is the safest first step?**

- A) Press the brakes immediately
- B) Turn sharply to pull off the road and stop
- C) Hold the steering wheel firmly, gradually slow down, and exit if possible

**4. You are in a multi-lane intersection and the light turns yellow as you enter. There is a pedestrian crossing in your lane. What should you do?**

- A) Speed through before pedestrian reaches you
- B) Honk the pedestrian and then continue
- C) Stop if safe; otherwise yield to pedestrian while proceeding cautiously

**5. You are driving at night on an unfamiliar road. Another car approaches with very bright high beams. What should you do?**

- A) Look away from the headlights
- B) Look slightly to the right and reduce speed
- C) Flash your high beams to warn the other driver

**6. You are on a one-lane bridge with a long line of cars on your side. A car from the opposite side is approaching. Who has the right-of-way?**

- A) Car going uphill has the right-of-way
- B) First car to reach the bridge
- C) Heavier vehicle has the right-of-way

**7. You are approaching a pedestrian in a crosswalk, but a vehicle behind you is tailgating aggressively. What should you do?**

- A) Speed up to avoid being rear-ended
- B) Swerve around the pedestrian quickly
- C) Stop and allow the pedestrian to cross safely

**8. Your brakes fail while going down a steep grade with traffic ahead. What is the best action?**

- A) Shift to neutral apply the brake
- B) Turn away from the road to avoid traffic
- C) Downshift to a lower gear and use emergency lane if available

**9. You are driving in heavy rain, and the road is flooded. What should you do?**

- A) Drive slowly through the water
- B) Use cruise control to maintain steady speed
- C) Turn around and find another route

**10. A large truck is making a right turn at an intersection. You are on its right side. What is the safest action?**

- A) Speed past before it turns
- B) Stop and allow the truck to complete the turn
- C) Honk to alert the truck driver and proceed

**11. You are on a freeway with dense traffic. A car suddenly merges in front of you without signaling. What is your safest response?**

- A) Ease off the gas, maintain control, and keep safe distance
- B) Honk to show the driver made a mistake
- C) Slam on the brakes to avoid a collision

**12. You see a pedestrian with a guide dog waiting to cross at an intersection without a signal. What is your responsibility?**

- A) Signal them to cross quickly
- B) Proceed carefully if the pedestrian seems slow
- C) Stop and allow the pedestrian to cross

**13. You are approaching a highway construction zone with workers and heavy machinery close to the road. What should you do?**

- A) Slow down, obey flaggers, and stay alert for unexpected obstacles

- B) Maintain your speed and continue driving
- C) Change lanes abruptly to avoid construction barriers

**14. You are driving on a freeway, and your car begins to skid on ice. What is the safest response?**

- A) Press the brakes and steer straight
- B) Do nothing — ABS will take care of everything
- C) Ease off the pedals and steer in the direction you want to go

**15. You are driving behind a school bus that has stopped with flashing red lights. If this is divided on a highway what should you do?**

- A) Stop completely until children are clear and lights stop flashing
- B) Stop only if children are in your lane
- C) Slow down and pass cautiously

**16. You are driving on a narrow winding road and a car approaches from the opposite direction. There is a driveway nearby. What should you do?**

- A) Back up to let the other vehicle pass safely
- B) Honk and continue slowly
- C) Speed up to pass first

**17. You are driving behind a motorcycle on a wet road. What is the safest distance to maintain?**

- A) One car length
- B) Normal following distance
- C) Increase distance to allow extra stopping space

**18. You are approaching an intersection, and your traffic light turns yellow. A pedestrian starts to cross your lane. What should you do?**

- A) Honk and continue through the intersection
- B) Stop if it is safe to do so; always yield to the pedestrian
- C) Speed up to clear the intersection

**19. You are on a freeway and traffic ahead slows suddenly. What is the safest action?**

- A) Quickly switch to the right lane
- B) Slam on brakes to avoid collision
- C) Ease off the gas and be ready to stop

**20. You see a large truck making a left turn, taking up both lanes. You are behind the truck. What should you do?**

- A) Honk to let the truck driver know you are there
- B) Pass on the right quickly
- C) Wait patiently until the truck completes the turn

**21. You are driving in fog. Visibility is very poor. Which lights should you use?**

- A) Low-beam headlights
- B) Four way emergency lights only
- C) High beams

**22. You are at a four-way stop. Another vehicle arrives at the same time to your right, and a pedestrian is crossing. Who goes first?**

- A) Wait for a signal from the other driver
- B) You go first
- C) Yield to pedestrian, then vehicle on the right

**23. You are driving on a highway and notice debris on your lane. What should you do?**

- A) Maintain speed and swerve quickly
- B) Slow down, check traffic, and steer safely around debris
- C) Stop immediately and make a U-turn

**24. You are approaching a railroad crossing with no lights or gates. You cannot see clearly down the tracks. What should you do?**

- A) Stop only if a train is visible
- B) Slow down, look both ways, be prepared to stop
- C) Proceed normally

**25. You are driving in a work zone with cones narrowing your lane. A car suddenly cuts in front of you. What is the safest action?**

- A) Ease off gas, maintain control, and stay within lane
- B) Honk and swerve
- C) Brake abruptly and change lanes

**26. You are driving in heavy rain and visibility is poor. What should you do?**

- A) Slow down, turn on headlights, and increase following distance
- B) Turn on high beams and speed up
- C) Keep speed constant and increase wiper speed

**27. You are merging onto a busy highway. What is the safest approach?**

- A) Stop at the end of the ramp and wait for a gap
- B) Adjust your speed to match highway traffic and merge smoothly
- C) Merge immediately as soon as you see a gap

**28. You are driving in heavy rain and begin to hydroplane. What is correct?**

- A) Brake hard and hold the steering wheel straight
- B) Ease off the gas and steer straight
- C) Turn quickly and steer straight to regain control

**29. You are at an uncontrolled intersection and another car arrives at the same time. Your view is blocked by parked cars. Who has the right-of-way?**

- A) The car with the bigger engine or faster speed
- B) Go first if you are in the left lane
- C) Yield to the vehicle on your right

**30. You are driving on a mountain road. A vehicle is coming uphill and the road is too narrow for both of you. What is the correct action?**

- A) Wait for the other vehicle to back up and find space
- B) Yield to the uphill vehicle
- C) Speed up to pass before the road gets narrower

**31. You are driving on a two-lane road and a car behind you is tailgating aggressively. There is a blind curve ahead. What should you do?**

- A) Speed up to escape
- B) Slam brakes to warn them
- C) Maintain speed, increase distance from vehicles ahead

**32. You are approaching a sharp curve on a wet mountain road. Your vehicle begins to skid. What is correct?**

- A) Ease off the gas and steer in the direction of the skid
- B) Turn sharply against the skid
- C) Brake hard and release quickly

**33. You are on a freeway and notice a vehicle stopped on the shoulder. There is heavy traffic. What is the safest action?**

- A) Move over one lane if possible or slow down
- B) Honk as you pass closely

C) Continue in your lane; you are safe

**34. You are driving near a school during dismissal, and children are crossing mid-block. What is the safest action?**

- A) Honk to warn children and proceed
- B) Slow down only if children are in the crosswalk
- C) Slow down and stop if necessary, always watch for children

**35. You are on a steep hill and must back up to let an oncoming car pass. What is the safest way?**

- A) Honk continuously while reversing
- B) Back up slowly while checking mirrors and blind spots
- C) Back up quickly as possible

**36. You are approaching a flashing yellow light at an intersection. A vehicle from the cross street is trying to turn. What should you do?**

- A) Slow down and yield if necessary
- B) Speed up to clear intersection
- C) Maintain speed, you have the right-of-way

**37. You are parking on a hill facing uphill with a curb. What is the correct way to position your wheels?**

- A) Turn wheels toward the curb
- B) Turn wheels away from the curb
- C) Keep wheels straight

**38. You are driving at night and your headlights suddenly go out. What should you do first?**

- A) Keep driving if the road is familiar
- B) Turn on your hazard lights and carefully pull off the road
- C) Keep driving if street lights are available

**39. You are approaching a bridge on a cold morning, and the surface looks wet. What should you do?**

- A) Speed up to cross before it freezes
- B) Slow down and avoid sudden braking
- C) Maintain normal speed; it looks wet but safe

**40. You are driving behind a motorcycle at night. What extra precautions should you take?**

- A) Pass the motorcycle on the right
- B) Drive as normal
- C) Increase following distance and avoid glare

**41. You are approaching a railroad crossing with malfunctioning signals. A train is far away. What should you do?**

- A) Stop, look both ways, and proceed only when safe
- B) Stop only if train is visible
- C) Ignore and continue

**42. You are in heavy traffic and notice brake lights flashing several cars ahead. What should you do?**

- A) Brake abruptly and try to swerve to avoid stopping
- B) Keep a safe following distance, and be ready to stop
- C) Move to a less congested lane before it is too late

**43. You see a heavy truck turning left from the opposite direction. A pedestrian is crossing in front of that vehicle. What should you do?**

- A) Wait until pedestrian and the truck cleared the intersection
- B) Speed up to pass before the truck and pedestrian
- C) Honk to warn them because they should yield to you

**44. At a four-way stop, you arrive at the same time as a vehicle on your right. A pedestrian is already in the crosswalk on your left. What should you do?**

- A) Yield only to the other vehicle
- B) Yield only to the pedestrian
- C) Yield to both the pedestrian and the other vehicle

**45. You are driving in icy conditions, and your car begins to slide sideways. What is the correct action?**

- A) Ease off gas and steer to the side of the road
- B) Apply brakes firmly and steer straight
- C) Ease off gas and steer gently in the direction you want to go

**46. You are driving from opposite direction towards a stopped school bus with flashing red lights. Road is with a physical barrier. What should you do?**

- A) Proceed without stopping but drive cautiously
- B) Stop completely until lights stop flashing
- C) Stop and wait for the signal from bus driver

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