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Rock's Tips for the DMV's Written Test:

- Study the current DMV's California Drivers Handbook—especially the parts discussing NUMBERS such as the maximum speed limits: 15MPH in alleys, blind intersections and uncontrolled railroad crossings; 25MPH in residential, school or business districts, unless otherwise posted. Note the difference: Illegal vs. legal.
- Do READ and answer EACH and every QUESTION one time only. If you mark two answers as “correct” you will not get credit for *either* answer. If you fail to answer a question, that will count against you just the same as if you marked a wrong answer. *So answer the questions.*
- Do finish the written examination in a reasonable amount of time. This is an *easy* test, because there are only three possible answers for each question. But it is also a *difficult* test because you must miss no more than three questions out of 18; or six out of 36. Beware crosswalk vs. sidewalk.
- You must accept as a fact, everything following the word “if.” Here are some other words and phrases to give extra consideration:

Not.	Always.
Only.	Hazard.
Must.	Emergency.
Legal.	Be prepared to....
Never.	Under no circumstances.
Safety.	Look over your shoulder.
Proper.	Unless absolutely necessary.
- Pick the best answer from the three provided on your test sheet. This is a “multiple choice” exam—not a “fill-in-the-blank” test. Don't fight it.
- If you are not sure which the correct answer is, try to eliminate the two answers that appear to be the most unlikely candidates for right answers.
- If you get frustrated, tell yourself: “*This is fun! I like it!*”

REQUIRED NOTICE DEADLINES:

- **24 Hrs** to notify **CHP/Police** of injury accident.
- **10 days** to notify DMV injury or \$750 or more property damage accident.
- **5 days** to notify DMV of sold car.

CURB COLORS:

- **White:** Can **stop** just long enough to pick-up or drop off **passengers** or **mail**.
- **Green:** Can **park** for a limited time only (as indicated by sign or paint).
- **Yellow:** Can **stop** no longer than posted for **freight** or **passengers**.
- **Red:** **No stopping. No standing. No parking.**
- **Blue:** Parking for **disabled person** with **placard** or disabled **license** plate only.

ILLEGAL PARKING:

At corner (because **there is a “crosswalk”** whether or not it is painted there).
“Double” parking (**next to a car** already parallel parked by the curb).

OTHER “NUMBERS TO KNOW”

- **.08%** = **Minimum BAC for DUI** (Blood Alcohol Concentration)
- **.01%** = Minimum BAC for DUI **if under 21** years old.
- **-0-%** BAC if under 18 years of age. (Zero tolerance for 16 & 17-year-olds.)
- **Under 18-year-old** in vehicle? No one smokes.
- **18 inches** = maximum distance from curb when parallel parked.
- **Child under** 6 years old **OR** under 60 pounds **MUST** be in child safety seat.
- **Child under** 16 but 6 years or older **MAY** use **EITHER** seatbelt **OR** safety seat.
- **Every 2-5 seconds:** Check your mirrors—all three of them.

OTHER RULES and TIPS:

Boating, water skiing, etc. “DUI” still goes on Driving Record at DMV.

Cargo extending **more than 4 feet** from back of vehicle **must** display **red flag or lights**.

Broken signal light at intersection = treat it as “stop signs” for all directions.

“**Three second following distance** rule.” How far back you remain **from the car ahead**.

Stay in the middle of your lane-- “like a slot car.” **No weaving** over the line.

LOW BEAMS & WIPERS in Rain, Snow or Fog.

- Parking Brake: Use it. Always. On. Off. (Don’t forget it at start/finish of test.)
- Full stops. (“One, two, three” while firmly on the brake pedal.)
- Pedestrians!! Yield to them.
- **S.M.O.G.** ... Don’t forget the “over my shoulder” part. Work on this.
- Speed counts! (Can’t go too slow. Can’t go too fast. Go “just right.”)
- No unnecessary stopping. Or slowing.
- Can’t stay stopped (and confuse other drivers). Go when you should go.
- The DMV is not testing what you “know” during the “performance” test.

GOOD LUCK! Keep working on these items and watching your video.