

Alabama Road Signs Cheat Sheet 2026

The night-before summary, built like the exam.

— Scored questions	— Time limit	— Passing score
\$0 Exam fee	Alabama Law Enforceme... Governing body	— Pass rate

The numbers to remember

- Knowledge test fee: \$5.00 (no checks accepted)
- Test covers: Alabama traffic laws, road signs, and rules of safe driving
- Format: automated testing available to all applicants
- Minimum learner's permit age (Stage I): 15
- Required supervised practice: 50 hours
- Learner license purchase cost: \$36.25
- Stage II curfew: no driving midnight-6 a.m. unless accompanied by a parent/guardian
- Stage II passenger limit: one non-family passenger max
- DUI threshold: 0.08% BAC
- Window tint minimum: 32% light transmission on side/rear windows

Sign shapes at a glance

- Octagon (red) = stop
- Downward triangle (red/white) = yield
- Pentagon = school zone/crossing
- Diamond (yellow) = general warning ahead
- Round (yellow) = railroad crossing
- Rectangle (white) = regulatory (speed, one-way, turns)
- Rectangle (green) = guide/direction
- Diamond/rectangle (orange) = construction/work zone
- Rectangle (blue) = motorist services
- Rectangle (brown) = recreational/cultural sites

Right-of-way in one breath

First to arrive at an uncontrolled intersection goes first; simultaneous arrivals yield to the right. Left turns yield to oncoming traffic and pedestrians, even on green. T-intersection traffic yields to the through road. Pull right and stop for any emergency vehicle running lights/siren. Pedestrians in any crosswalk, marked or unmarked, have the right-of-way. In roundabouts, yield to traffic already circulating.

Top traps

- "Green light means go": not if you're turning left across oncoming traffic or a pedestrian is still in the crosswalk.
- Confusing sign color with sign shape: shape is the more reliable cue at a distance or in bad light — an octagon is a stop sign even if the paint has faded.
- Treating posted speed as a floor, not a ceiling: it's a maximum; rain, fog, or heavy traffic require driving below it.
- Assuming DUI is only about alcohol: impairment from medication or drugs carries the same consequences as crossing

the 0.08% BAC line.

- Skipping equipment-law questions: window tint below 32% light transmission is a real test topic, not a footnote.
- Cramming instead of practicing: run full timed practice tests and track misses by category — sign recognition and right-of-way scenarios are where most points are actually lost.

Official sources

- Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA), Driver License Division — Alabama Driver License Manual (ALEA, Nov 2024): <https://www.alea.gov/sites/default/files/ALEA%20DL%20Manual.pdf>
- Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA), Driver License Division — Graduated Driver License | Alabama Law Enforcement Agency: <https://www.alea.gov/dps/driver-license/license-and-id-cards/graduated-driver-license>
- Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA), Driver License Division — Document Requirements And Fees | Alabama Law Enforcement Agency: <https://www.alea.gov/dps/document-requirements-and-fees>

Free practice questions for this exam: www.everyexamprep.com/practice/exams/driving/alabama-road-signs