

Connecticut Road Signs Cheat Sheet 2026

The night-before summary, built like the exam.

25 Scored questions	— Time limit	80% (20 of 25 correct) Passing score
\$0 Exam fee	Connecticut Department ... Governing body	— Pass rate

The numbers to remember

- 25 questions on the knowledge test.
- You need 20 correct to pass (80%).
- Test is based on the Connecticut driver's manuals — no outside trivia.
- The vision test comes first, in person by DMV appointment, before you're allowed to sit for the knowledge test.
- \$40 fee for the knowledge/license exam.
- Fail? Wait 7 days and pay another \$40 to retest.
- Learner's permit minimum age: 16 for teens, 18 for adults.
- Learner's permit fee: \$19.
- Teen drivers generally need 40 hours of supervised practice driving.

Sign shapes at a glance

- Red octagon = Stop.
- Red/white downward triangle = Yield.
- Round yellow = Railroad crossing.
- Yellow pentagon = School zone/crossing.
- Yellow/orange diamond = Warning (curves, merges, work zones).
- White rectangle = Regulatory (speed limits, one-way, legal rules).
- Green = Guide/directions. Blue = Services. Brown = Recreation.

Right-of-way in one breath

- No signs, four-way stop uncertainty: first to arrive goes first; ties yield to the driver on your right.
- Left turns yield to all oncoming traffic and pedestrians.
- Pedestrians in a crosswalk always win, marked or unmarked.
- Emergency vehicles with lights/siren: pull right, stop.
- Roundabouts: traffic already circulating has the right-of-way over vehicles entering.
- When unsure on the test: pick the answer that yields, not the one that proceeds.

Top traps

- Posted speed limits are a maximum under ideal conditions — you must slow down further for rain, fog, snow, or heavy traffic.
- Hydroplaning: ease off the gas, don't slam the brakes.
- Black ice hides on bridges and shaded roads near freezing temps.
- Use low beams, not high beams, in fog or heavy rain.
- Alcohol impairs judgment before you feel drunk — implied consent means a lawful stop can require chemical testing.

- Texting combines visual, manual, and cognitive distraction at once — the most dangerous combination behind the wheel.
- Read the whole question before answering; the first plausible-sounding choice is often the trap.

Official sources

- Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles (CT DMV) — Learn about DMV's knowledge and vision test for drivers, motorcyclists | CT.gov: <https://portal.ct.gov/dmv/licenses-permits-ids/take-knowledge-vision-test>
- Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles (CT DMV) — Get a driver's license for a teenager | CT.gov: <https://portal.ct.gov/dmv/licenses-permits-ids/teen-drivers-license>
- Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles (CT DMV) — Get a DMV Learner's Permit for Adults | CT.gov: <https://portal.ct.gov/dmv/licenses-permits-ids/get-learners-permit/adult-learners-permit>

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