

Kansas Road Signs Cheat Sheet 2026

The night-before summary, built like the exam.

25 Scored questions	— Time limit	80% Passing score
\$0 Exam fee	Kansas Department of R... Governing body	— Pass rate

The numbers to remember

- 25 multiple-choice questions on the knowledge test.
- Pass with 80% correct — you can miss no more than 5.
- Not timed, but budget 15 to 20 minutes.
- 4 total attempts allowed before a required wait.
- Failed attempt? Retest as soon as the next business day for a \$1.50 fee.
- Fail all 4 attempts and you wait a minimum of 6 months to try again.
- Instruction Permit available starting at age 14; Restricted License at age 15.
- Hold your permit 1 full year (or until age 17) before advancing, logging 50 supervised hours with at least 10 at night.
- Vision must test at least 20/40 in one eye.
- Road signs sit in Section 6 of the handbook, under Rules of the Road.

Sign shapes at a glance

- Red octagon = Stop. This shape is used for nothing else.
- Red/white downward triangle = Yield.
- Yellow diamond = General warning ahead — curve, merge, hazard.
- Pentagon = School zone or crossing.
- Round yellow = Railroad crossing.
- White rectangle, black text = Regulatory — has the force of law.
- Green rectangle = Guide sign — directions and distances.
- Orange rectangle = Construction/work zone.
- Blue rectangle = Services (gas, food, hospital).

Right-of-way in one breath

- No signs at an intersection? First to arrive goes first; if tied, yield to the driver on your right.
- Turning left always yields to oncoming traffic and to pedestrians, even on a green light.
- Inside a roundabout beats entering it — circulating traffic has the right-of-way.
- Emergency vehicles with lights and siren always get the right-of-way — pull right and stop.
- Pedestrians in a crosswalk, marked or not, have the right-of-way when legally crossing.
- Stop for a school bus's flashing red lights from both directions unless a physical median separates you.

Top traps

- Posted speed limits are maximums for ideal conditions, not a target — slow down for rain, ice, fog, or gravel.
- Black ice forms first on bridges and shaded roads, often when the air temperature is just above freezing.
- A green light does not override a pedestrian's or oncoming driver's right-of-way when you're turning left.

- Fatigue impairs reaction time similarly to alcohol — don't treat drowsy driving as a lesser risk.
- Missing 6 or more of the 25 questions fails you — sign-shape questions are the fastest points to lock in first.

Official sources

- Kansas Department of Revenue, Division of Vehicles — Kansas Driver's License Handbook (Kansas Department of Revenue, Division of Vehicles): <https://www.ksrevenue.gov/pdf/dlhb.pdf>
- Kansas Department of Revenue, Division of Vehicles — Graduated Driver License Requirements for Teen Drivers (Kansas Department of Revenue): <https://www.ksrevenue.gov/dovgdl.html>
- Kansas Department of Revenue, Division of Vehicles — Kansas Credential Fee Chart (Kansas Department of Revenue): <https://www.ksrevenue.gov/pdf/dmvlicfees.pdf>

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