

Missouri 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	Missouri Department of ... Governing body	— Pass rate

Everything below is testable on Missouri's 25-question written exam. Skim it the night before, and drill anything that does not read as obvious by now.

Test and Licensing Numbers

- Written test: 25 questions, 80 percent to pass, up to 5 misses allowed
- Instruction permit: available at age 15, 10 dollars total for the Class F permit
- Hold the permit at least 182 days before the intermediate license
- Log 40 hours of supervised driving, including 10 hours at night
- Intermediate stage: no driving alone 1 a.m. to 5 a.m.; first 6 months, no more than one passenger under 19 who is not an immediate family member
- Skills test requires a minimum score of 70 percent
- Full license terms: 6 years for ages 21 to 69, 3 years for 18 to 20 and 70 or over

Sign Shapes

- Octagon: stop, always, even with the face covered by snow or dust
- Downward-pointing triangle: yield to the road you are entering
- Pentagon: school zone or school crossing ahead
- Circle: railroad crossing warning, posted well before the tracks
- Yellow diamond with black symbol: hazard warning, so slow down and scan

Sign Colors

- Orange: construction and maintenance work zones
- Blue: motorist services such as gas, food, and lodging
- Brown: recreational and cultural areas, from state parks to historic sites

Pavement Markings

- Yellow lines: traffic on the far side moves toward you
- White lines: lanes on both sides move your way
- Solid yellow on your side of the center: no passing for your direction
- Double solid yellow: passing barred from both directions
- Broken lines: crossing permitted when it is safe

Signals

- Steady yellow: red is coming; stop if you safely can
- Flashing red: a stop sign in light form; stop, then go when clear

- Flashing yellow: slow down and pass through with caution

Right-of-Way

- Four-way stop: first to arrive goes first; simultaneous arrivals yield to the right
- Left turn on a green ball: oncoming traffic goes first
- School bus with red lights and stop arm: both directions stop unless the highway is divided
- Emergency vehicle with lights and siren: pull to the right and stop
- Driveways, alleys, and ramps: entering traffic yields to the road
- Roundabouts: yield to vehicles already circulating

Speed and Conditions

- Posted limits assume good conditions; fog, rain, and gravel lawfully demand less
- Following gap: count three seconds when dry, and stretch it in weather
- Night ceiling: be able to stop within what your headlights reveal
- Bridges freeze first because cold air wraps both sides of the deck
- Skids: steer where you want to go and stay off hard braking

Alcohol and Drugs

- Adult per se limit 0.08; commercial vehicles 0.04
- Implied consent: refusing the chemical test means automatic suspension
- Only time lowers blood alcohol; coffee and cold showers change nothing
- Visible impairment below 0.08 can still bring an arrest
- Lawful prescriptions count as impairment when they dull you

Official sources

- Missouri Department of Revenue — Missouri Graduated Driver License Law:
<https://dor.mo.gov/driver-license/issuance/graduated-driver-license/details.html>
- Missouri Department of Revenue — Driver License FAQs - General: <https://dor.mo.gov/faq/driver-license/general.html>
- Missouri State Highway Patrol — Driver Examination — Frequently Asked Questions:
<https://apps.mshp.dps.mo.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/DVSD/DE/faqs.html>

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