

Vermont Road Signs Cheat Sheet 2026

The night-before summary, built like the exam.

20 Questions	— Time limit	80% (16 of 20 correct) Passing score
\$0 Exam fee	Vermont Department of ... Governing body	

The numbers to remember

- 20 questions on the knowledge test.
- 16 correct (80%) needed to pass.
- \$39.00 test fee, charged again on every retake.
- 15 is the minimum age to test.
- 1-day wait to retest after a failed knowledge test; 7-day wait after a failed road test.
- 20/40 vision standard, or you're referred to an eye doctor.
- 40 hours of supervised driving expected before testing.
- Driver ed: 30 classroom + 6 behind-the-wheel + 6 observation hours.
- \$24.00 two-year learner's permit fee; permit held 1 year before the road test.
- \$23.00 road test fee.
- The temporary permit receipt is valid for 90 days from the date issued.

Sign shapes at a glance

- Octagon (8 sides) = stop, no exceptions.
- Downward triangle = yield.
- Diamond = warning ahead.
- Pentagon = school zone.
- Round = railroad crossing.
- Red = stop/prohibited, yellow = warning, orange = construction, white = regulatory, green = guide/permitted, blue = services, brown = recreation.

Right-of-way in one breath

- First to stop at a 4-way, goes first; tie goes to the driver on the right.
- Left turns yield to oncoming through traffic.
- Pedestrians in crosswalks beat turning vehicles.
- Emergency vehicles with lights/siren beat everyone — pull right and stop.
- Already-in-roundabout beats vehicles entering it.
- Vehicles already inside an uncontrolled intersection or approaching from your right generally have priority.

Top traps

- Stop signs mean stop, scan, yield right-of-way, then go — not just stop.
- Posted speed limits are a maximum in ideal conditions, not a target in rain, snow, or fog — slow down further.
- Advisory speed plaques under warning signs are recommended, not legally mandatory.
- Retesting the knowledge test always costs the fee again — there's no free retake, so treat practice tests as your real do-overs.

- Read every choice before answering; distractors are designed to look almost right.
- Any impairment (alcohol, drugs, fatigue) affects reaction time before it feels obvious — never gamble on it.
- Seat belts are required and remain the single most effective protection in a crash.
- Vision must clear the 20/40 standard on test day, so bring corrective lenses if you normally wear them.

Official sources

- Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles (Vermont DMV) — Vermont Driver's License Manual (VN-007): https://dmv.vermont.gov/sites/dmv/files/documents/VN-007-Drivers_Manual.pdf
- Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles (Vermont DMV) — Learner's Permit | Department of Motor Vehicles - Vermont DMV: <https://dmv.vermont.gov/licenses/new/learners-permit>
- Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles (Vermont DMV) — Driver's License Fees | Department of Motor Vehicles - Vermont DMV: <https://dmv.vermont.gov/licenses/fees>

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