

South Carolina DMV Cheat Sheet: Key Numbers

The numbers people mix up most often, on one page. Print it or save it as a PDF and review it before your test.

Knowledge test format

questions

30

correct to pass

24 (80%)

Learner's permit and teen license rules by state

Learner's permit from age	15 years old
Hold the permit at least	6 months
Supervised driving hours	40 hours
Of them at night	10 hours
Teen passengers allowed	2

Drunk driving laws by state: BAC limits

Refusing a chemical test (1st time)	6 months
Under 21	0.02%

Parking distances by state

Wheels from the curb	18 inches
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School bus, move over and bicycle passing laws by state

Bus on the other side of a divided highway	Do not have to stop, but should watch for children
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Car seat and booster seat laws by state

Car seat until at least	8 years old
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Every number is the answer to one of our practice questions and matches a quote from the official handbook. Rules change — check the latest handbook before your test.

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