

MOTORCYCLE RIDER SKILL TEST INSTRUCTIONS

The Motorcycle Rider Skill Test is an off-street test conducted by a driver licensing examiner. To pass this test, you must successfully complete the exercises below. These exercises are designed to measure basic motorcycle control and accident avoidance skills.

Engine Stalling – Points will be assessed each time you stall your engine.

Exercise 1 – Starting from the **T**, ride to the right of the first cone, to the left of the second, and so on. Weave past all five cones without touching or skipping a cone or putting a foot down. Turn left and ride toward the opposite side of the course, and make a smooth non-skidding stop with your front tire inside the box. Do not touch the lines. Remain stopped.

Exercise 2 – Starting from the **T**, make a right turn between the boundary lines. Do not touch either line or put a foot down. Diagonally, cross to the opposite side of the track and make a left U-turn inside the painted box at the far end of the track. Do not touch the solid line (motorcycles 600cc or more) or the dashed line (motorcycles less than 600cc) or put a foot down. Stop with your front tire inside the box and remained stopped.

Exercise 3 – Starting from the **T**, accelerate straight ahead and stabilize your speed between 12-18 mph before you reach the first line. Maintain a steady speed through the timing zone. When your front tire crosses the second line, stop as fast as you safely can. You will not lose points if you skid. Remain stopped; do not allow your motorcycle to roll in either direction.

Exercise 4 – Starting at the same **T**, accelerate straight ahead, stabilizing your speed between 12-18 mph before you reach the first line. Maintain a steady speed through the timing zone. When your front tire crosses the second line, swerve right or left, as directed by the examiner. Avoid the obstacle line and stay inside the sideline, do not touch either line. Stop smoothly.

General Instructions

The motorcycle you use for this test must be in good mechanical condition, properly registered, and have all equipment required by Arizona law.

Let the examiner know if at anytime you wish to stop the test. The examiner will tell you the conditions for taking the test at a later date.

The examiner may stop the test if any of the following occurs:

- Fail to demonstrate basic control skills
- Accumulate more than the maximum number of points
- Commit an unsafe act
- Fail to understand or follow directions
- Inclement weather, including temperatures 105° and above
- Mechanical failure
- Fall or drop the motorcycle while on the test track.

Protective Gear (must be worn during testing):

Helmet	D.O.T. approved motorcycle helmet in good condition properly fastened (may waive if 18 or older)
Gloves	Gloves designed for use when operating a motorcycle or other gloves that permit freedom to operate controls
Clothing	Long pants, and a jacket or long sleeve shirt
Footwear	Boots/shoes that cover the ankle made of sturdy material that do not interfere with operation of motorcycle controls
Eye Protection	Face shield, goggles, safety glasses or protective windshield

Testing Locations & Hours – Visit www.azdot.gov or call Phoenix 602-255-0072, Tucson 520-629-9808, elsewhere in Arizona 800-251-5866, (Hearing/Speech Impaired–TDD systems only: Phoenix 602-712-3222, elsewhere 800-324-5425).

