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**Q1. When approaching an emergency vehicle stopped with lights flashing, you must:**

- A)** Remain in your lane and keep your current speed.
- B)** Slow down and
  - if safe
  - move over to give extra room to the stopped emergency vehicle.
- C)** Drive to the right side of the road and stop immediately.

**Answer: B**

**Q2. If another vehicle is tailgating you, what should you do first if there is an open lane to your right?**

- A)** Move over to the right.
- B)** Never slow down abruptly.
- C)** If there is not an open lane to your right
  - gradually slow down to increase following distance and encourage the tailgater to pass when safe.

**Answer: A**

**Q3. What do work zone (orange) signs indicate?**

- A)** That it is summer and roads are busier.
- B)** Less-than-ideal driving conditions and that construction or maintenance is present.
- C)** You must immediately stop and back up.

**Answer: B**

**Q4. Why should drivers be extra alert to motorcyclists, bicyclists, and pedestrians?**

- A)** They always disobey traffic laws.
- B)** They are often harder to see and may have less noticeable lighting.
- C)** They follow different rules that exempt them from right-of-way laws.

**Answer: B**

**Q5. When you are approaching a heavy truck from behind while going uphill, which is true?**

- A)** You may not be able to legally pass the truck.
- B)** You may not be able to safely pass the truck.
- C)** The truck may be traveling at a speed slower than the posted speed limit.

**Answer: B**

**Q6. When children ride in a vehicle, they should:**

- A)** Stand on the floor in the back of the vehicle.
- B)** Be properly fastened in an appropriate child safety seat if too small for a regular belt.
- C)** Be safely held by a strong adult.

**Answer: B**

**Q7. Which of the following is true about crosswalks?**

- A)** They are always indicated by vertical pavement markings only.
- B)** They exist whether or not they are marked
- C)** They are always marked by horizontal pavement markings.

**Answer: B**

**Q8. If you're involved in a collision, what should you do first?**

- A) Drive away if the damage is minor.
- B) Stop immediately and assist the injured as needed.
- C) Call your insurance company and then leave.

**Answer: B**

**Q9. When turning left from a two-way street onto a one-way street you should finish the turn into:**

- A) The center of the street.
- B) The right lane of the one-way street.
- C) The left lane of the one-way street.

**Answer: C**

**Q10. What is the purpose of an advisory speed sign attached to a curve warning sign?**

- A) To indicate a minimum legal speed.
- B) To be ignored in rain or snow.
- C) To recommend a safe speed for the curve which should be reduced in poor conditions.

**Answer: C**

**Q11. In a vertically arranged traffic signal, what is the correct top-to-bottom order of the lights?**

- A) Red
- B) Yellow
- C) Green

**Answer: C**

**Q12. How can you avoid alcohol-related crashes?**

- A)** Say "No thanks" if you are offered a ride by someone who has been drinking.
- B)** Rely on coffee to sober up.
- C)** Decide before you start drinking that you will not drive.

**Answer: C**

**Q13. You may not legally park your vehicle in which of the following locations?**

- A)** On a hill.
- B)** In a parking lot.
- C)** On a crosswalk or in a marked bicycle lane.

**Answer: C**

**Q14. If the traffic light changes from green to yellow as you approach an intersection, you should:**

- A)** Brake sharply to stop immediately in the center of the intersection.
- B)** Be prepared to stop safely.
- C)** Speed up to beat the red light.

**Answer: B**

**Q15. When roads may be slippery you should:**

- A)** Use cruise control to maintain speed.
- B)** Increase your following distance and reduce speed.
- C)** Always drive at the maximum speed limit.

**Answer: B**

**Q16. Which of the following can impair a person's driving ability?**

- A) Alcohol.
- B) Any medication.
- C) A lack of sleep.

**Answer: C**

**Q17. If you discover a defect that could affect the safe operation of your vehicle, you should:**

- A) Delay fixing it until you can afford repairs.
- B) Drive at slower speeds until it can be fixed.
- C) Correct the defect as soon as possible.

**Answer: C**

**Q18. Where should you keep a space cushion around your vehicle?**

- A) Only in front of your vehicle.
- B) Only on the left and right sides.
- C) On all sides — front
  - rear
  - and sides.

**Answer: C**

**Q19. If you encounter an aggressive driver you should:**

- A) Avoid eye contact
- B) Retaliate by tailgating.
- C) Cut them off to slow them down.

**Answer: A**

**Q20. On slippery roads, you should take turns and curves:**

- A)** More quickly to clear the hazard faster.
- B)** At the same speed as usual.
- C)** More slowly than you would under normal conditions.

**Answer: C**

**Q21. If an oncoming driver fails to dim high beams, where should you direct your gaze?**

- A)** At the lights of the approaching vehicle.
- B)** Toward the right side of the road.
- C)** Toward the left side of the road.

**Answer: B**

**Q22. When parallel parking between two cars, what should you do first after signaling and checking traffic?**

- A)** Turn your wheels to the right immediately.
- B)** Turn your wheels to the left immediately.
- C)** Pull up even with the car in front of the space

**Answer: C**

**Q23. How often must motor vehicles be inspected in New Hampshire?**

- A)** Once every four years.
- B)** Once every two years.
- C)** Once a year during the owner's birth month.

**Answer: C**

**Q24. When an emergency vehicle uses sirens or flashing lights, what must drivers do?**

- A)** Stop immediately in your lane and wait for it to pass no matter where you are.
- B)** Ignore it if you are in a hurry.
- C)** Yield the right-of-way by pulling to the right and stopping
  - and follow any instructions it gives.

**Answer: C**

**Q25. When is it appropriate to sound your horn?**

- A)** Whenever you have to stop quickly.
- B)** When passing another car.
- C)** If you have lost control of your vehicle and need to alert others.

**Answer: C**

**Q26. When making a turn, you must do what to your speed?**

- A)** Increase your speed.
- B)** Maintain or vary your speed at will.
- C)** Reduce your speed to maintain control.

**Answer: C**

**Q27. On slippery roads you should do which of the following?**

- A)** Drive as you would on dry roads.
- B)** Increase your following distance.
- C)** Use alternate routes only.

**Answer: B**

**Q28. Unless otherwise posted, the maximum speed in a rural residence district is:**

- A) 45 miles per hour.
- B) 25 miles per hour.
- C) 35 miles per hour.

**Answer: C**

**Q29. It is important to slow down in which situations?**

- A) Whenever road traffic or visibility conditions make the posted speed unsafe.
- B) On narrow or winding roads.
- C) Only when the road is wet.

**Answer: B**

**Q30. When does your vehicle's stopping distance increase?**

- A) On wet or icy roads.
- B) On dry paved highways.
- C) Only when driving at night.

**Answer: A**

**Q31. A good defensive driver:**

- A) Always drives slowly.
- B) Maintains a constant speed at all times.
- C) Anticipates and watches for other drivers' actions.

**Answer: C**

**Q32. Guide signs that give directions and mileage information are usually what color?**

- A) Yellow
- B) Red
- C) Green

**Answer: C**

**Q33. What does a "No stopping" sign generally allow you to do?"**

- A) Stop briefly to discharge passengers.
- B) Stop to unload packages at any time.
- C) Stop only to obey a traffic signal

**Answer: C**

**Q34. When is it acceptable to park in the access aisle next to a reserved handicap parking space?**

- A) When all other parking spaces are full.
- B) When you have a handicap plate or placard.
- C) Never.

**Answer: C**

**Q35. If you miss your exit on a freeway you should:**

- A) Stop and back up to the exit.
- B) Make the turn quickly from your current lane of travel.
- C) Continue to the next exit or suitable turnaround and do not back up.

**Answer: C**

**Q36. When two vehicles arrive at an uncontrolled intersection at the same time, who goes first?**

- A) The vehicle approaching from the left.**
- B) The vehicle whose driver honks first.**
- C) The vehicle approaching from the right.**

**Answer: C**

**Q37. What is the safe method for crossing a railroad track?**

- A) Cross quickly if a train appears to be approaching.**
- B) Look both ways only if the red light is flashing.**
- C) Look and listen both ways before crossing and obey all signals and gates.**

**Answer: C**

**Q38. If you are driving so slowly that traffic is backing up behind you on a two-lane, two-way road, you should:**

- A) Pull off to the right side of the road and let traffic pass.**
- B) Decrease your speed further.**
- C) Refuse to let other cars pass your vehicle.**

**Answer: A**

**Q39. A flashing red traffic signal requires you to:**

- A) Stop and then proceed when it is safe (same as a stop sign).**
- B) Slow down and yield**
- C) Slow down but do not stop.**

**Answer: A**

**Q40. If an approaching vehicle is using high beams and fails to dim them, you should look toward:**

- A) Either side of the road.**
- B) The center of the road.**
- C) The right side of the road.**

**Answer: C**

**Q41. Which types of drugs can impair driving ability?**

- A) Only illegal drugs.**
- B) Prescription and over-the-counter medications**
- C) Only alcohol-related medicines.**

**Answer: B**

**Q42. If an aggressive driver cuts you off in traffic, what is the safest response?**

- A) Flash your headlights to show them they are wrong.**
- B) Call the police immediately.**
- C) Stay calm and move out of the aggressive driver's way.**

**Answer: C**

**Q43. When parking downhill on a two-way street, how should you position your front wheels?**

- A) Turn the wheels to the right toward the curb.**
- B) Turn the wheels to the left away from the curb.**
- C) Keep the wheels straight ahead.**

**Answer: A**

**Q44. Why is night driving often harder than daytime driving?**

- A)** Because visibility is reduced in the dark.
- B)** Because it is more likely to rain at night.
- C)** Because cars overheat more easily at night.

**Answer: A**

**Q45. When an oncoming vehicle is approaching at night, your headlights should be set to:**

- A)** High-beam headlights
- B)** Off; use parking lights only
- C)** Low-beam headlights

**Answer: C**

**Q46. What must you do with your headlights when driving in rain?**

- A)** Use parking lights only.
- B)** Use low beam headlights.
- C)** Use high beam headlights.

**Answer: B**

**Q47. What is the most common color of warning signs?**

- A)** Green.
- B)** Red.
- C)** Yellow with black markings.

**Answer: C**

**Q48. Passing is prohibited within how many feet of a railroad crossing?**

- A) 200 feet**
- B) 500 feet**
- C) 100 feet**

**Answer: C**

**Q49. When driving in fog you should use:**

- A) High beam headlights.**
- B) Low beam headlights.**
- C) Parking lights.**

**Answer: B**

**Q50. What shape/color denotes a slow-moving vehicle emblem?**

- A) A circular green sign.**
- B) A reflective orange triangle.**
- C) A rectangular red sign.**

**Answer: B**