

GDL Component		Province Territory												
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Licence Class		8	6 or 5/6	6 or 1-5 endorsement 'M'	6L	M2	6A		6N	6 (stage 2)	6 II (level 2)	6	6P (stage 2)	
Age Restriction	Minimum Entry Age	17	16		16	16 and 2 months			16 and 3 months	17	16	16	16	
	Minimum Exit Age	18 and 6 months	18		16 and 9 months	17 and 8 months	17		18 and 3 months			17.5	17	
Entry Requirements	Time completion	8L for 12 months	class 7 for 12 months	class 7 for 9 months ¹		M1 for 60 days	6R for 1 month		LM for 3 to 6 months ²	275 days to 1 year	8 to 12 months for level 1	30 continuous days	7 for 1 years	
	Past Test/Course	class 8 road test	on road motorcycle test	entry skill test	approved motorcycle training course	M1 road test or approved motorcycle safety course	closed track test (75% to pass)		class 6 road test	class 6 road test	class 6 road test	class 6 road test	practical road test	
	Parental Consent: Age Applied		yes, if under 18				yes, if under 18					yes, if under 18		
Exit Requirements	Driver Education						mandatory							
	Time Completion	8 for 24 months ³	6 or 5/6 for 24 months		6L licence for 9 months	M2 for 18 to 22 months ⁴	6A for 11 months		6N for 2 years	1 year	level 2 for 1 year	class 6 for 18 continuous months	6P for 1 year	

¹ Holds a valid SK driver's licence with Endorsement "6".

² Held Class LM licence for 6 months (or 3 if approved motorcycle course was completed).

³ Hold a Class 8 licence for 24 consecutive months without a driving prohibition – reduced by 6 months if an approved driver education course is successfully completed in the learner stage and drivers have no violations (tickets) or at-fault crashes (found to be 50% or more at fault) for the first 18 months of the novice stage.

⁴ Only 18 months if an approved safety course was completed.

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Stage Duration	Pass Test/Course	class 6 road test	advanced road test		class 6 road test	class M road test	road test (75% pass) ⁵							
	Minimum Duration	18 to 24 months ⁶	24 months		9 months	18 to 22 months	11 months		2 years	1 year	1 year	18 months	1 year	
	Maximum Holding Period	no limit ⁷												
Supervisory Driver	Age													
	Licence Held						valid 6A, 6B or 6C			fully licenced for 4 years				
	BAC Level While Supervising						under 0.08			under 0.05	0.0			
	Driver Log													
	Location While Supervising					front seat	accompanying the driver on the bike							

⁵ After passing the road test, drivers will be issued a probationary licence, unless they already hold a Class 5 driver's licence, in which case the authorization to operate a motorcycle will be added to their licence.

⁶ 18 months if driver took a driver's education course in the learner stage.

⁷ 5 year licence, can be renewed without re-qualifying/re-testing for licence.

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Supervised Driving	Minimum Amount														
	BAC Level While Driving	0.0	0.0	0.08 (0.04 for administrative suspension)	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0 under 19	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Driver Restrictions and Conditions	Night Driving				no driving between the ½ hour following sunset and ½ before sunrise				none between 12 am and 5 am ⁸	none between 1 am and 5 am ⁹		must be accompanied by a qualified co-driver between 12 am and 5 am			
	Passenger Restrictions									1 passenger		no passengers under 13			
	Road Restrictions			moped/ 3-wheeled vehicles ¹⁰	no towing or off-road ¹¹										

⁸ Unless the driver has a written exemption from the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

⁹ Stage 2 driver may apply for an exemption for work purposes, and may also operate a motor vehicle during this time if they are accompanied by a licensed driver.

¹⁰ If the road test was taken on a moped or three-wheeled motorcycle: Restriction J – Motorcycles under 50 cc's only in Class 6 or Endorsement M. Larger motorcycles as a learner only; Restriction H – operation of three-wheeled motorcycles only in Class 6 or Endorsement M – operation of two-wheeled motorcycles as a learner only.

¹¹ Cannot tow vehicles; cannot operate off-road vehicles along or across a highway (unless driver holds a minimum Class 5 Intermediate Stage licence).

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	Display "N" Sign/Plate	mandatory ¹²								mandatory ¹³				
	Other Restrictions	no electronics								no electronics				
Suspensions/Prohibitions	Lower Driver Penalty Point Threshold	2 to 6 points instead of 15 to 19 points ¹⁴	7 points instead of 14 points ¹⁵						6 points instead of 12	+6: suspension and probation	+6: suspension ¹⁶	7 points instead of 15 points	+6: suspension	
	Suspensions	same as 8L licence suspensions	violation of BAC: 30-day suspension ¹⁷			same as M1 licence suspensions	same as class 7 licence suspensions		+6 points: 1 year suspension ¹⁸	any demerit points will lead to suspension ¹⁹	BAC violation ²⁰	must restart program ²¹		

¹² Mandatory - A green N (Novice) sign replaces the red L sign; when riding, the N sign must be displayed on the back of the rider's motorbike or clothing so that drivers behind can see it.

¹³ Display "G" sign/plate when driving: A small yellow Graduated Decal which is to be placed on the back of the motorcycle operator's helmet.

¹⁴ If a driving prohibition is received, the driver goes back to the beginning of the novice stage after serving their prohibition time, losing all experience time.

¹⁵ Licence will be suspended at 8 points. Any time spent suspended will have to be made up before moving on to the next stage.

¹⁶ Licence suspensions are issued at 6 demerit points accumulated over two years; the suspension periods are 2 months for 1st offence, 4 months for 2nd offence, and 6 months for 3rd offence.

¹⁷ Must have no licence suspensions during the last year of this stage.

¹⁸ Licence suspensions will delay graduation to the regular driver stage by 2 years from the date the licence is reinstated. Must be suspension-free for 24 consecutive months to graduate to a full Class 5 licence.

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Driver Improvement Actions		voluntary defensive driving course			novice driver escalating sanctions program					same as level 1			
Additional GDL Features		yes ²²			yes ²³			yes ²⁴	yes ²⁵			yes ²⁶	

¹⁹ An accumulation of 6 or more demerit points will result in the suspension of the Stage 2 driver's licence, followed by a 1-year probation period; if the driver receives any fines that carry demerit points during the probation period, their Stage 2 driver's licence will be suspended.

²⁰ Roadside suspensions issued by the police for exceeding 0 mg% BAC, begin immediately upon issuance of the notice by the officer; 2 suspensions will require the Novice Driver to complete an Alcohol Education Program; 3 or more suspensions will require the Novice Driver to undergo an alcohol dependency evaluation/treatment program.

²¹ If license is suspended, cancelled, or disqualified, the driver will be required to restart the GDL Novice stage. The time the GDL Novice licence has been held will not be counted toward the total time required to qualify to be eligible to obtain a full privilege Class 5 or Class 6 licence. When the Novice licence is reinstated, the driver must again meet the time requirement for the Novice stage and will not be eligible to progress out of the Novice stage for at least another 18 months.

²² Cannot serve as an accompanying rider to a Learner. Upgrade to a commercial licence is not possible.

²³ Class M2 and Class M licence holders may also drive Class G vehicles under the conditions that apply to a Class G1 licence holder. With a Class M2 licence, the operator can drive a moped, limited-speed motorcycle and a motorcycle.

²⁴ A Class 6N motorcycle licence is also valid as a Learner's licence for passenger vehicles. Must remain at this level for two years or may choose to get a 5(N) with the motorcycle endorsement (A).

²⁵ No driver may apply for a Class 1, 2, 3 or 4 driver's Licence until they have successfully completed the GDL Program.

²⁶ Cannot serve as an accompanying driver to a learner. No upgrading to a commercial licence (Classes 1, 2, 3 or 4).