








# The Class Licence System

Manitoba Licence Class	Allows the Licence Holder to Operate	Minimum Age	Medical Requirements	Requirements	Test Charges
<b>1</b> 	Semi-trailer trucks including all vehicles in Classes 2, 3, 4, and 5.	<b>18</b>	Must meet medical and vision standards. Medical report required on initial application and periodically thereafter based on the age of the driver.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must hold a minimum Class 5 Intermediate or Class 5 Authorized Instruction licence to obtain authorized instruction in Classes 1–4.</li> <li>• Must pass written or oral knowledge test.</li> <li>• Requires supervising driver for Authorized Instruction.</li> <li>• Must pass road test. For Classes 1, 2, 3 or 4 (buses and trucks only), the test includes a pre-trip inspection of vehicle (and air brake system if applicable) by the applicant.</li> </ul>	In Class 1 Vehicle Charge: \$50
<b>2</b> 	Buses <sup>1</sup> having a seating capacity of over 24 passengers (while carrying passengers), school buses <sup>2</sup> having a seating capacity over 36 passengers (while carrying passengers). Includes all vehicles in Classes 3, 4 and 5.				In Class 2 Vehicle Charge: \$45
<b>3</b> 	Trucks with more than two axles, including any combination of vehicles, OR a truck with two axles towing a vehicle with a registered gross vehicle weight of more than 4,540 kg (but does not include a semi-trailer truck). Includes all vehicles in Classes 4 and 5.				In Class 3 Vehicle Charge: \$45
<b>4</b> 	Taxis, ambulances, and other emergency vehicles, buses <sup>1</sup> with a seating capacity between 10 and 24 passengers (while carrying passengers) and school buses <sup>2</sup> with a seating capacity between 10 and 36 passengers (while carrying passengers). Includes all vehicles in Class 5.				In Class 4 Vehicle Charge: \$35
<b>5</b> 	<p>Passenger cars, a bus while not carrying passengers, trucks with two axles, and any combination of vehicles consisting of a truck with two axles and a towed vehicle with a registered gross vehicle weight of <b>up to 4,540 kg</b>. May operate Class 3 vehicles if registered as farm truck and the driver holds a Class 5 Intermediate or Full Stage Licence.</p> <p>May operate a Moped<sup>3</sup>, if 16 years of age or older.</p> <p>May operate heavy and agricultural equipment.</p> <p><i>Note: Effective November 1, 2003, a person must hold a valid minimum Class 5 Intermediate Stage driver's licence to operate a special mobile machine, implement of husbandry or tractor on a provincial highway, or a highway within the municipal boundaries of a city, town, village or urban municipality. For further information please call (204) 985-7000.</i></p>	<b>16 or 15½</b> if enrolled in high school driver education course	<p>Medical report required when requested.</p> <p>Must meet vision standards.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must pass written or oral knowledge and sign tests for Class 5 Learner licence (minimum nine-month Learner Stage). (Must wait seven days for re-tests.)</li> <li>• Requires supervising driver for a Class 5 Learner Stage or Authorized Instruction.</li> <li>• Requires supervising driver for a Class 5 Intermediate if carrying more than one passenger between the hours of 12 midnight and 5 a.m.</li> <li>• Must pass road test to advance to the Intermediate Stage (minimum 15-month Intermediate Stage). (Must wait 14 days for re-test.)</li> </ul>	In Class 5 Vehicle Charge: \$30
<b>6</b> 	Motorcycles.	<b>16</b>	<p>Medical report required when requested.</p> <p>Must meet prescribed vision standards.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Driver must hold a valid licence of any class and stage.</li> <li>• Must pass written or oral knowledge test. (Must wait seven days for re-tests.)</li> <li>• Must obtain Class 6 M Stage licence in order to complete motorcycle training course. The course is required before Learner Stage Licence is issued.</li> <li>• Minimum nine-month Learner Stage.</li> <li>• Must pass road test to advance to the Intermediate Stage (minimum 15-months Intermediate Stage). (Must wait 14 days for re-test.)</li> </ul>	In Class 6 Vehicle Charge: \$30
<b>Air Brake Endorsement</b> 	Air Brake Endorsement— permits the holder to drive vehicles equipped with Air Brakes in the class of vehicle for which the person is licenced. Drivers of a Class 3 truck registered as a farm truck equipped with air brakes are exempt from this requirement.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must complete written or oral test.</li> <li>• Must complete Air Brake practical test for "A" (Authorized) endorsement.</li> <li>• Must complete adjustment of the manual slack adjusters for "S" (Slack Adjuster) endorsement.</li> <li>• There is no additional fee for the Air Brake practical test if it is completed at the same time you are road-tested for a higher class of licence.</li> </ul>	Charge: \$30
					Written Test: \$10

1. A bus is any vehicle with a seating capacity of at least 11 persons (including the driver) used primarily to carry passengers. It excludes vehicles used for personal transportation by the owner or with the owner's permission.  
 2. School bus certificate is required. For further information contact Manitoba Education, Citizenship and Youth, Pupil Transportation at (204) 945-6900.  
 3. Mopeds are not allowed to be driven on highways with a speed limit exceeding 80 km/h, but may cross these highways.

# Basic Class 5 Licensing Requirements

## Who must take a driver test

You must take a driver test for the class of vehicle you wish to drive if you:

- have never been licensed for that class of vehicle;
- have not held a Manitoba licence within the past four years; or
- hold a licence from outside Canada, the United States or other jurisdictions whose licences are not exchangeable.

You may be required to be re-tested if you:

- have been involved in traffic accidents or convictions;
- have had your licence suspended; or
- have a disease or disability that may affect your ability to drive safely.

## When you first apply for a Driver's Licence

We'll need legal documents proving:

- your date of birth,
- your identity (including signature, legal name, and photograph),
- you're a Manitoba resident,
- you're entitled to be in Canada.

The documents must be originals—not birth registrations and laminated certificates that read “void if laminated” on the back.

You can combine different documents to prove your identity. Check the documents chart to see which documents we'll accept.

## Graduated Driver Licensing

Drivers who applied for their first Class 5 Driver's Licence on or after April 1, 2002 are in the Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL) Program and are subject to the GDL stages and restrictions.

Manitoba Class 5 Driver's Licence Stages are:

- L** Learner Stage (minimum 9 months)\*
- I** Intermediate Stage (minimum 15 months)\*\*
- F** Full Stage

\* *Supervising driver must be fully licensed driver for at least 3 years and be under .05 blood alcohol content.*

\*\* *A driver is only required to complete the Intermediate Stage once. Therefore, time served in the Intermediate Stage in Class 6 will be applied to the Intermediate Stage in Class 5.*

## Application and test requirements

An applicant for a Class 5 Learner Stage licence must be a minimum of 16 years of age. At age 15½, an applicant may apply for a Class 5 Learner Stage Licence if enrolled in a high school driver education course.

If you don't have proper documents for your signature and photograph, we'll need a declaration from a guarantor with your other identification documents.

For information about the Declaration of Guarantor form, please visit [www.mpi.mb.ca](http://www.mpi.mb.ca). To get one of these forms and instructions about how to complete it, see any Autopac agent.

Consent of either a parent or legal guardian is required if the applicant is under 18 years of age.

## A) Knowledge Test—Written

- i) For a **Class 5** licence: Before writing the test, you must register as a Manitoba Public Insurance customer and provide proper identification documents. The most convenient way to register is through an Autopac agent as soon as possible. The test assesses your knowledge of traffic laws, safe driving practices and recognition of road signs. (It is not an open book test; cellular phones or electronic devices cannot be used during the test.) The test charge is \$10 (subject to change) per test. **If you are in the GDL program and fail the written test, there is a seven-day waiting period to retake it.**

If an applicant is under 18 years of age, parent or legal guardian approval is required to take the knowledge test. (See Forms Section.) Driver education students under the age of 16 must provide a completed driver education form before taking the knowledge test for a driver's licence.

- ii) After passing the written test and meeting the visual and medical standards, in order to drive you will be required to purchase a licence for \$20 plus insurance charges of up to \$45 (subject to change), plus any applicable insurance surcharges.

## B) Visual and Medical Requirements

Applicants who fail to meet minimum vision standards, with or without corrective lenses, cannot obtain a driver's licence. If corrective lenses are required for driving, this will be indicated on your licence. Applicants who fail to meet the minimum medical or vision standards may have their licence suspended until further information is filed. A vision and/or medical report may be required.

Before taking a written test, an applicant for a driver's licence who has a disease or disability that may affect their ability to drive safely must inform Medical Records, Driver and Vehicle Licensing, 1075 Portage Avenue, Box 6300, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 4A4 (204) 985-1900.

If a medical report is required, it must be approved by Medical Records before you

can take the written driver examination test or enrol in the driver education course.

Manitoba Health will **not** pay for third party requests for a medical report including any related examinations, tests or telephone calls to the physician. Applicants are responsible for these costs.

## C) Road Test

The Class 5 road test not only measures your ability to operate a specific class of vehicle; it also identifies errors that need to be corrected. You will be required to operate your vehicle in typical traffic situations in a safe and legal manner. You will be judged on your driving skills. Only authorized Driver and Vehicle Licensing employees may ride with you during the test.

Please ensure you check in 15 minutes before your appointment time. You must supply a vehicle in good working order and a Vehicle Registration Certificate confirming the vehicle is properly registered and insured. The vehicle must have adequate seating for the driver examiner. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of the road test. Road tests may not be conducted in heavy or agricultural equipment.

Applicants for a driver's licence who have not held a driver's licence any time prior to April 1, 2002, from any jurisdiction, are subject to a nine-month learning period before they are eligible to take a road test.

An applicant who demonstrates dangerous driving during their road test may have to obtain permission from the Registrar before attempting another road test. **If you are in the GDL program and fail the road test, there is a 14-day waiting period to retake it.**

If you currently hold an out of country driver's licence or currently hold a Manitoba driver's licence higher than a Class 5L/5A or 6L/6A, and are taking a road test, a test failure will result in declassifying your driver's licence to a Learner or Authorized Stage. This will require you to have a supervising driver with you when driving a motor vehicle.

## Change of name or address

You are required to notify your Autopac agent or Driver and Vehicle Licensing within 15 days of any change in your name or address.

For more information please call us at: (204) 985-7000 or toll-free at 1-800-665-2410. Website: [www.mpi.mb.ca](http://www.mpi.mb.ca)

Type of document	Data Elements that the Supporting Document May Prove					
	Birth Date	Identity			Manitoba Residence	Entitlement to be in Canada
		Legal Name	Signature	Photograph		
Out-of-province driving permit issued by a Canadian province or territory			X	X		
Valid Canadian passport	X	X	X	X		X
Canadian Forces identification card		X		X		
Birth Certificate issued by a Canadian province or territory	X	X				X
Marriage Certificate, or Certificate of Common-law Relationship issued under <i>The Vital Statistics Act</i> (or comparable certificate from another jurisdiction)		X				
Certificate of Change of Name, Certificate of Election of Surname or Certificate of Resumption of Surname, issued under <i>The Change of Name Act</i>		X				
Court order that contains the person's birth date and legal name and is sealed with the court's seal	X	X				
Certificate of Indian Status issued by the Government of Canada	X	X	X	X		X
Record of Landing issued under the <i>Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</i> (Canada)	X	X				X
Permanent Resident Card issued under the <i>Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</i> (Canada) or analogous document issued by the Government of Canada under previous legislation	X	X	X	X		X
Certificate of Citizenship issued under the <i>Citizenship Act</i> (Canada)	X	X	X	X		X
Study Permit issued under the <i>Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</i> (Canada)	X	X				X
Work Permit issued under the <i>Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</i> (Canada)	X	X				X
Visitor Record issued under the <i>Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</i> (Canada)	X	X				X
Valid foreign passport	X	X	X	X		
Utility bill					X	
Affidavit					X	
Vehicle registration card					X	
Bank statement or cancelled cheque with the person's home address					X	
Mortgage document					X	
Residential lease					X	
Personal income tax document with the person's address					X	
Employment confirmation					X	
Social assistance benefit confirmation					X	
Licence to Possess and Acquire Firearms or Licence to Possess Firearms issued under the <i>Firearms Act</i> (Canada)					X	

For the most up-to-date information on identity standards, please see our website: [www.mpi.mb.ca](http://www.mpi.mb.ca).