

MOTORCYCLE OPERATOR SKILL TEST (M.O.S.T.)

The Motorcycle Operator Skill Test consists of seven test segments which measure your ability to handle a motorcycle, including starting, accelerating, turning and braking. None of the tests are difficult or dangerous for a skilled rider.

If during testing, you feel that any element of the test is beyond your skill level, you should tell the Testing Officer. To pass however, you will have to complete all of the test segments.

When you are on the test course, you will be given specific instructions for each test.

Points are accrued for errors such as touching painted lines, putting your foot down on the ground during a test, or hitting cones.

A pass is eight points or less. Nine or more points is a fail.

Applicants may watch other applicants taking the test, however please respect their right to privacy and a fair attempt.

Brief On Bribery And Corruption

The Motorcycle Operator Skill Test is conducted on behalf of the ACT RTA by Testing Officers employed by Stay Upright Pty Limited. Any attempt to influence the decision of the Testing Officer will result in the immediate termination of your test and the matter will be reported.

Test Termination

The Testing Officer is required to terminate the Test prior to completion and record a fail under any of the following conditions:

- Points accumulation – if an applicant has accrued 9 or more points (point penalties range from 1 point to 9 points), or
- Disregards instructions – if an applicant disregards any instructions of the Testing Officer, or
- Fails to understand instructions – if an applicant fails to understand instructions given by the Testing Officer, or
- Unsafe act – if in the Testing Officer's judgment the applicant performs an unsafe act, or
- Applicant inability – if an applicant displays gross motorcycle riding inability in any aspect of the test, or
- Drop motorcycle – if an applicant drops the motorcycle, or falls from or with the motorcycle, or
- Leaving the testing area - if an applicant rides outside the boundaries of the test area this will be considered a loss of control.
- Excessive test time – if an applicant takes excessive time to complete a test.

Test Motorcycle And Helmet

Test motorcycles must be fully registered and roadworthy and conform to the legal requirements of your licence conditions. An inspection will be conducted before testing commences.

Applicants must wear an Australian Standard AS-1698 approved motorcycle helmet, motorcycle gloves, eye-protection and full skin cover. Stay Upright motorcycles are available for hire.

What Happens When You Pass The M.O.S.T.

When you pass you will be awarded a Certificate of Assessment. This Certificate is valid for three months from the date of the test and must be presented within that period to an ACT Government shopfront or to the Dickson Motor Registry to gain your provisional rider licence.

PROVISIONAL RIDER LICENCE CONDITIONS

Your Provisional rider licence will be valid for the remaining period of your provisional drivers licence or for 12 months, whichever is the greater.

For the entire period of your provisional licence:

- a P plate should be displayed at the rear of the motorcycle.
If after 6 months on Ps you have attained 26 years of age or you have completed the *Road Ready Plus* ("P-Off") training course you will no longer be required to display the P plate. You must first notify the ACT RTA as a special notation is required on your licence to not display the plate. All other conditions will continue to apply for the full duration of your Ps.
- Zero BAC (Blood Alcohol Content) limit for the full period of your provisional licence.

For the first 12 months of your provisional licence:

- no pillion passengers may be carried.
- the power to weight ratio of any motorcycle you ride must not exceed 150 KW/tonne.
- towing a vehicle or trailer is not permitted.

While riding in NSW, special speed limits apply to learner licence holders from all states and to NSW provisional licence holders. These special limits do not apply to ACT provisional licence holders which means ACT provisional riders may ride in the ACT or NSW up to the posted speed limit.

ACT provisional licences are subject to a restricted demerit point allowance. Demerit points accumulated while riding a motorcycle or while driving a motor vehicle count towards suspension of a provisional motorcycle licence. More information can be found at the ACT RTA website www.rego.act.gov.au/infringements/infringedemerit.htm

Passing the MOST suggests you have achieved a basic level of riding skill. You should consider Stay Upright's Advanced Skill Development (Advanced I) course to further your skill development. Ring Stay Upright with questions about the Alternate MOST and options for further training.

A 10% discount applies to any training course booked during the first 6 months after passing the MOST.

What Happens If You Fail

If you fail the test and you have not previously completed the one-day Provisional training course, you must undertake that course. A special retest session is offered to participants during the course. Course and retest bookings are made by telephoning Stay Upright. Your Ls must be current to participate in the Provisional training course.

Should you fail the second or subsequent retests, you must wait 7 days before each attempt. A test fee is payable for each attempt. Further training though not compulsory is strongly recommended if you fail the second attempt.

M.O.S.T. Open Mornings

M.O.S.T. Open Mornings are held at the Sutton Road Driver Training Centre between 9:00am and 12:00 noon on the last Saturday of every month. A small fee is charged. The purpose of Open Mornings is to give learner riders an opportunity to experience the test without the pressure of formal test conditions. Results are not recorded. The Testing Officer will give you feedback on your performance and suggestions on areas to practice to improve your skills and answer any questions you may have.

Bookings are not required and you will be tested in order of arrival.

Stay Upright does not hire motorcycles for Open Mornings.



Detailed explanation of the M.O.S.T

Test Instructions

Prior to commencing each segment of the test you will be given specific instructions related to that segment.

At the end of the instructions you will be asked two questions:

1. 'Are there any questions?'
2. 'Do you understand?'

If you do not understand what you are being asked to do, ask the Testing Officer to explain it again. Only start the test segment if you fully understand because once you start the test it is deemed that you have fully understood and you will be scored accordingly.

Stalling

- Throughout the entire test, including positioning, you will incur points each time you stall the engine of the motorcycle.

Left Turn And Stop In The Box

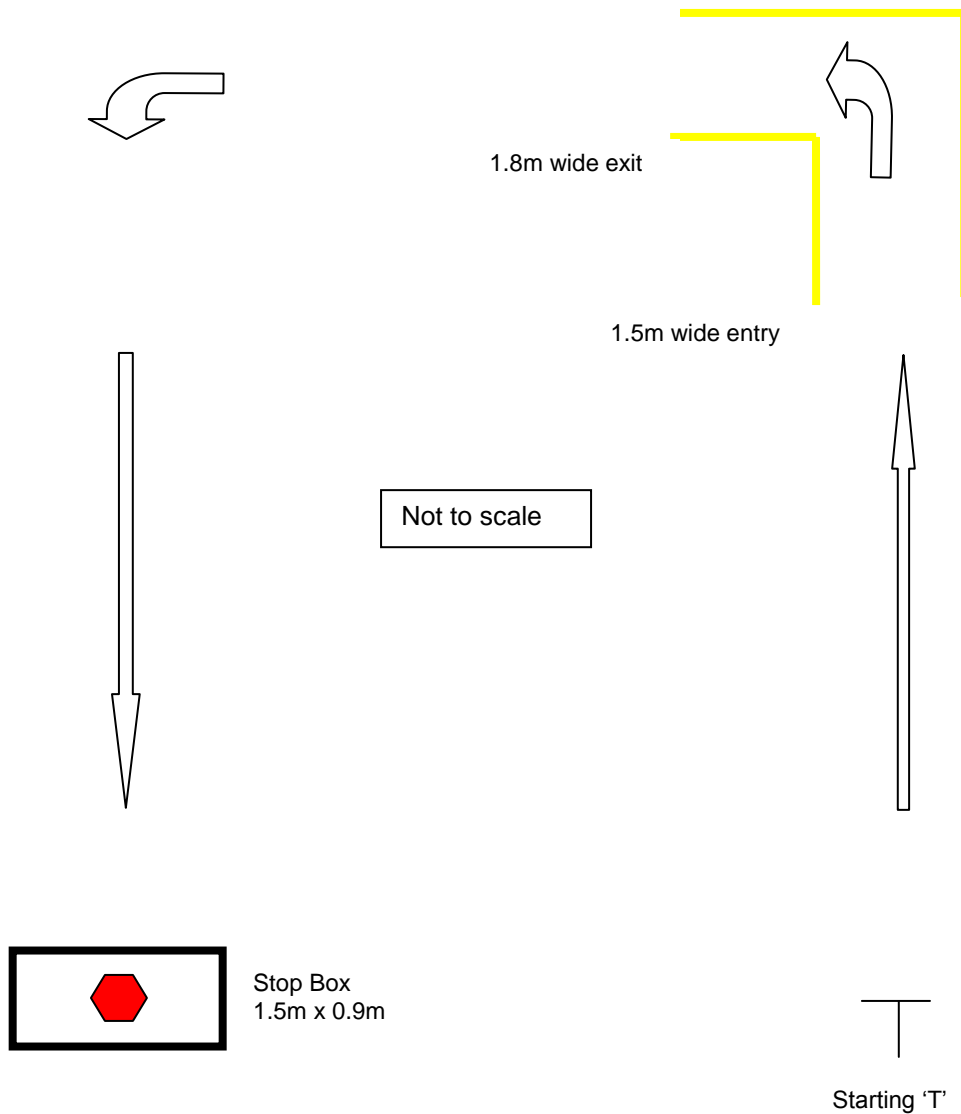
- Left turn – make a left turn through the marked yellow lines.
- Stop in the box – make a smooth, non-skidding stop with the 'contact patch' of the front tyre completely inside the white painted box.

Points are accumulated for:

- Left turn – touching the yellow lines or putting your foot on the ground
- Stop in the box – skidding either wheel or stopping with the 'contact patch' of the front tyre outside the white painted box, (stopping on the line is considered to be outside of the box)

Conditions:

- This test is done at your choice of speed and gear.



Cone Weave and U-turn

- Cone weave – proceed around the cones by riding to the **left** side of the first cone, to the **right** side of the second cone, and so on, weaving past all five cones

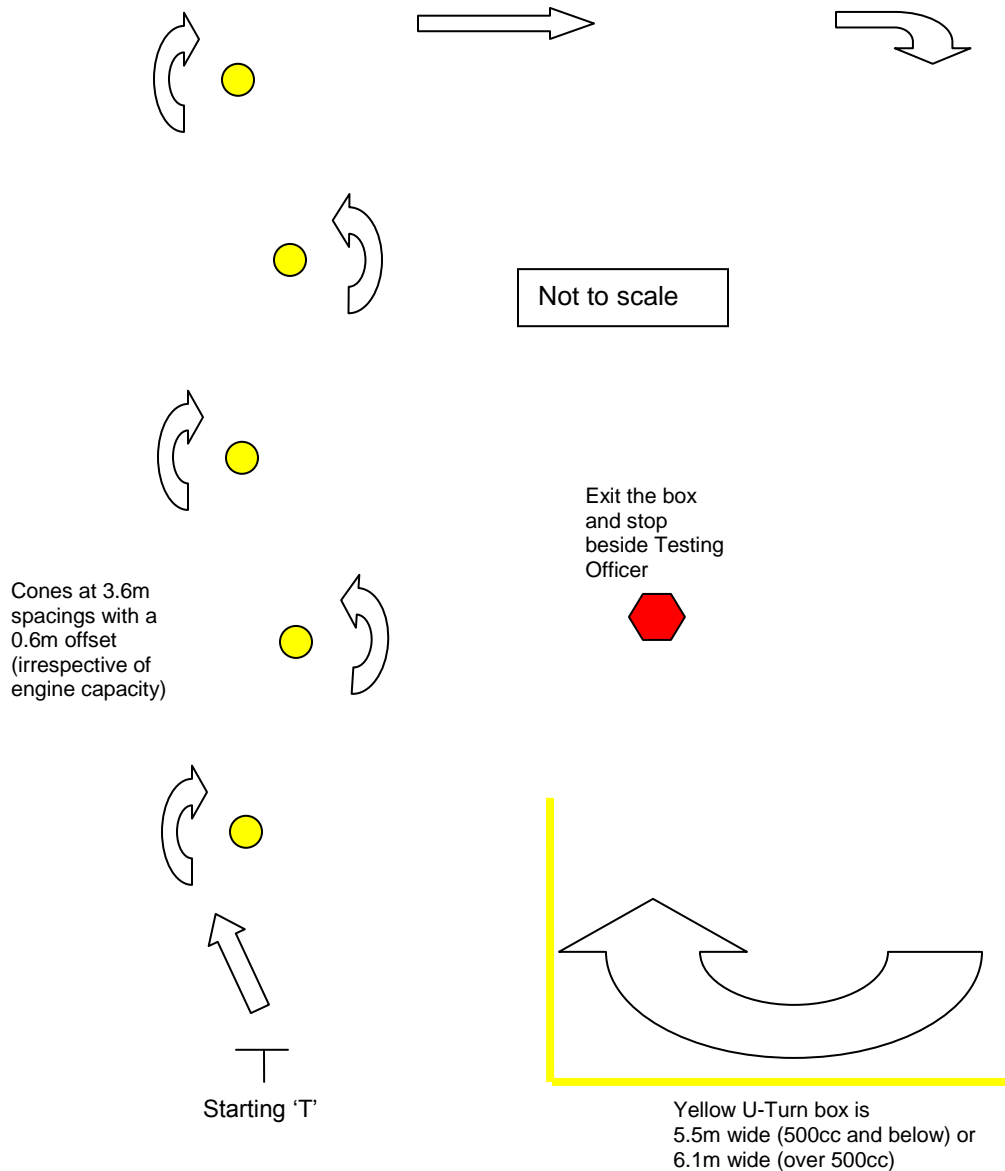
- U-turn – make a right (clockwise) 'U-turn' within the box formed by the yellow lines.

Points are accumulated for:

- Cone weave – hitting a cone, skipping a cone or putting your foot down on the ground.
- U-turn – touching the yellow lines, or putting your foot down on the ground.

Conditions:

- This test is done at your choice of speed and gear.
- After completing the 'U-turn', stop near to where the Testing Officer is standing.



Quick Stop

- Quick Stop – on the Testing Officer's signal proceed between the blue and yellow cones at a speed of between 20-30 km/h.
- When the front edge of your front tyre passes between the yellow cones, begin braking to bring your motorcycle to a **complete stop as quickly and as safely as you can.**
- Once stopped, do not allow your motorcycle to move backwards or forwards.

Points are accumulated for:

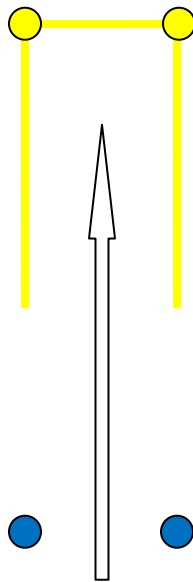
- Stopping beyond an allowable braking distance based on your speed recorded at the yellow braking cones. You will not incur points for skidding either wheel.

Conditions:

- If you are over 30 km/h you will be deemed to have been travelling at 30km/h and scored accordingly.
- If you brake early or if you are under 20 km/h you will be asked to perform a second stop.
- If you brake early or if you are under 20 km/h on the second attempt a fail will be recorded.



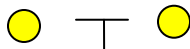
Stop as quickly and
as safely as you can



Begin braking here from a
speed of 20-30 km/h

Not to scale

Starting 'T'



Obstacle Turn

- Obstacle turn– on the Testing Officer’s signal proceed between the blue and yellow cones at a speed of between 20-30 km/h.
- When the front edge of your front tyre passes between the yellow cones, swerve to left/right being the side where the Testing Officer is standing, to avoid hitting the blue obstacle line and half tennis ball then straighten to avoid hitting the blue side line.

9 points are accumulated and a fail recorded:

- If you hit a half tennis ball or the blue obstacle line or the blue side line.
- If you swerve the wrong way (ie not to the side where the Testing Officer is standing).

Conditions:

- If you are under 20 km/h you will be asked to perform a second run.
- If anticipating the swerve, you touch any cone you will be asked to perform a second run.
- If you are under 20 km/h or touch any cone on the second run a fail will be recorded.
- Once you have cleared the blue side lines return to where the Testing Officer is standing.

