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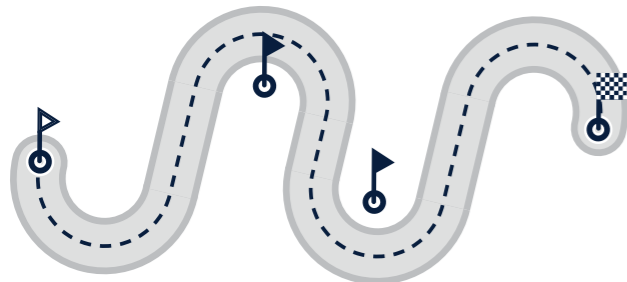


# Rules for L motorbike riders by State and Territory

## Preparing for provisional test

### PRE-PROVISIONAL COURSE

ALL STATES AND TERRITORIES



### HAZARD PERCEPTION TEST + 50HR LOGBOOK

WA | QLD AND SA\* (TEST ONLY)

50 hours including 5 hours of night driving for those under 25 years

Over 25 years requires no logbook but must still sit Hazard Perception Test

\* Riders are only required to do the normal car HPT if they haven't already done so as part of their car learner's permit.



## Permit/licence approval



### Minimum age



**16 Years**

NT | SA\* | WA

**16 ½ Years**

TAS

**16 ¾ Years**

NSW | ACT

**17 Years**

QLD\*

**18 Years**

VIC\*

\* must have held car licence for 1 year  
\*\* Can vary according to license status and regional need and cannot progress to R-Date until minimum 19 years

### Hold learner licence/permit

**3 Months**

ACT | NSW | QLD | VIC

**6 Months**

NT | WA

**12 Months**

SA | TAS

### PRE-LEARNER COURSE

ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC

CANNOT RIDE A MOTORCYCLE WITH POWER TO WEIGHT RATIO EXCEEDING 150 KILOWATTS PER TONNE

ACT | NSW | NT | VIC  
WA | QLD | SA



### KNOWLEDGE TEST

ALL STATES AND TERRITORIES

MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY SUPERVISOR AT ALL TIMES

WA

### Licence/permit validity



**1 YEAR**

NSW | TAS | ACT

VIC

**15 MONTHS**

**2 YEARS**

NT | SA

QLD | WA

**3 YEARS**

## Rules while riding



### AS SIGN POSTED

VIC | QLD | ACT

**100** km/h  
SA | WA

**90** km/h  
NSW

**80** km/h  
NT | TAS



NO MOBILE PHONE USE, INCLUDING HANDS-FREE AND LOUDSPEAKER

ALL STATES AND TERRITORIES

LEARNER RIDERS REQUIRED TO WEAR HIGH VISIBILITY VEST OR JACKET



VIC



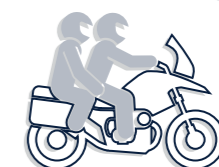
SIDECAR PASSENGERS ALLOWED

ACT\*



NO SIDECAR PASSENGERS

QLD\* | SA | WA\*



NO PILLION PASSENGERS

QLD\* | SA | TAS\*  
WA\* | NT



**0% BAC**

ALL STATES AND TERRITORIES

NOTE: DRIVERS MUST BE DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE

\* TAS permits qualified supervising driver as passenger.  
\* QLD permits supervisor in sidecar.  
\* WA supervisor allowed.  
\* ACT permits a side passenger if the passenger holds a full motorcycle licence.

### Demerit threshold

★★★★  
**4 Points**

ACT | NSW | SA | TAS | WA | QLD

★★★★★  
**5 Points**

NT | VIC - within 1 year

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**12 Points**

NT | VIC - in any 3 year period

### Eyesight test



### Vision acuity eyesight test

ACT | NSW | NT | TAS | WA | VIC

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE SOURCE GLOSSARY

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