

# ST HELENA POLICE DIRECTORATE

#### Notice to Provisional Driving Licence

### 1. Community Strategic Plan

In accordance with our Community Strategic Plan one of our objectives is to enforce Road Safety to reduce road traffic accident and other causes which can result in death or serious injury

For this reason we are now developing our procedure for Provisional Drivers, to ensure that Provisional Drivers are safe and confident drivers and pose no danger to themselves or other road users.

An individual cannot drive a motor vehicle on St Helena roads unless they have a valid and current drivers licence. In the case of a learner driver you must apply for a Provisional licence.

A Provisional Licence if granted is valid for a period of three months; the individual may apply for the class of vehicle in which he intend to drive. Once in possession of a Provisional Licence the individual must be supervised whilst driving, the exception is if a vehicle is not constructed or adapted to carry passengers or for a solo motorcycle.

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## 3. Driving instructor

Unless in the case of a vehicle not constructed or adapted to carry passengers or for a solo motorcyclist, a learner driver requires a supervising driving instructor. Your driving instructor should:

- Have a valid drivers licence for the class of the vehicle he is instructing
- Have at least 2 years experience for the class of vehicle that he is instructing.
- Be covered by a policy of insurance for third party purposes
- He should not be under the influence of any drink or drugs or incapable in any manner which prevents them of taking safe control of the vehicle.

#### 4. Preparation for the Examination

The Examination will consist of a Theory Test and a Practical Test

The Provisional Driver will need to pass the Theory Test before applying for the Practical Test.

The Theory Test will consist of various laws that a driver should know

- Driving and Alcohol/Drugs
- Seat Beat requirements
- Responsibilities as a Driver
- Road Signs and Markings
- Driving Offences
- Good knowledge of the Highway Code

On passing the Theory Test the Provisional Driver shall apply for the Practical

Examination, the Provisional driver will be tested on:

- Demonstrate the various controls in the vehicle
- The day to day general checks/mechanics of their vehicle
- Drive a set route with the examiner

Ensure that their vehicle is in a road worthy conditions

- Vehicle Licensed and Insured
- Have a good knowledge of the Highway Code
- Understand all local road signage
- Know their responsibilities as a driver
- Know various road traffic laws

## 5. Booking a Test

The Provisional Driver should telephone 23695 during normal working hours or leave their name and contact details on the answering machine.

Before applying for an examination the individual should have in the case of the:

- Theory Had in their possession a Provisional Licence for a minimum of six weeks
- Practical Driven the class of vehicle for a minimum of six weeks or has one hundred hours of learning
- Driving instructor must provide examiner in writing that the student has undertaken 6 weeks or 100 hours of driving and in their opinion is suitable to take a test.

#### 6. Vehicles

Please ensure that your vehicle:

- Is in a road worthy and safe condition and is Licensed and Insured
- **7.** Good luck on your examination, remember that as a driver you will not stop learning, do not get complacent, maintain the standards you set your self to pass your driving test.