

Starting Procedure :

1. Ensure that the parking brake is applied
2. Ensure that the gear - lever is in the neutral position
3. Ensure that all instruments are in a non - function position
4. Turn the ignition key to the “on” position without starting the engine
5. Mention that all instruments (warning lights and gauges) function
6. Apply choke if necessary or ensure that the choke is cancelled
7. Turn ignition key to start the engine, release hold on key when engine starts
8. Mention that the only warning light that’s on is the parking brake light
9. Cancel the operation of the choke, where applicable
10. Check and mention the pressure on the brake pedal
11. Apply seatbelt and request the examiner to apply there seatbelt

Observations :

Types of observations :

1. Three point observation : (Half check) Applicable before indicating
 - Interior rear view mirror
 - Exterior rear view mirror (left/right)
 - Blind spot (left/right)
2. Five point observation : (Full check) Applicable before moving off
 - Blind spot left
 - Exterior rear view mirror left
 - Interior rear view mirror
 - Exterior rear view mirror right
 - Blind spot right
3. Blind spot observation (left/right) before changing direction with the steering
4. Interior rear view mirror before shifting gears/applying brake pedal
5. Interior rear view mirror before intersections / every 5-8 seconds
6. Intersection observation (checking right and left at roads/public exits)
7. Pedestrian crossings (check right and left)

K53 Test Requirements for Heavy Motor Vehicle Code C1 :

Yard Test : (Maximum penalty points 20)

- The yard test shall be completed within 20 minutes (stopwatch time)
- Observations shall be done and signals given on each manoeuver
- Wearing of a seatbelt shall not be necessary during the yard test
- All road traffic signs, signals, rules and markings shall be obeyed
- Touching any obstacle or mounting of a kerb shall not be permitted
- No uncontrolled or dangerous action shall be permitted
- The push and pull method of steering is not required during the yard test
- Successfully complete the following:

1. Interior inspection
2. Exterior inspection
3. Ally docking to the right
4. Reverse in a straight line
5. Left turn
6. Incline start

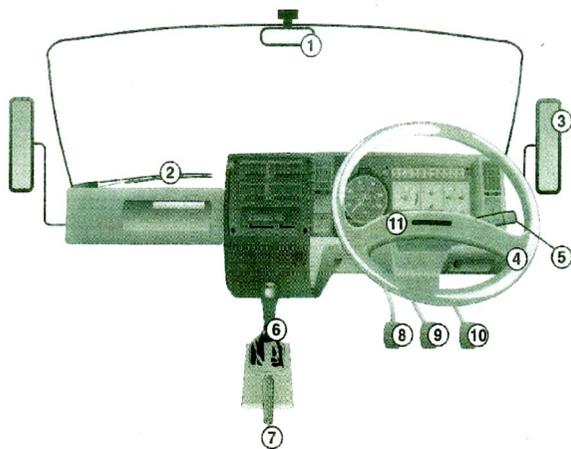
Road Test : (Penalty points : Duration in minutes X 5 = Total)

- The road test can only commence on successful completion of the yard test
- The duration of the road test shall exceed 20 minutes, but no more than 45 minutes
- All road traffic signs, signals, rules and markings shall be obeyed
- Observations shall be done and signals given while driving on a public road
- Demonstrate the following while driving:

1. Lane changing
2. Intersection : Four - way stop and stops
3. Intersection : Traffic light
4. Intersection : Yield sign
5. Intersection : Turning right and left
6. Intersection : Crossing two - way traffic (controlled / uncontrolled)
7. Negotiate traffic situations (speed control /stopping and following distances)

Pre - Trip Inspection - Interior :

1. Check that all doors are properly closed
2. Check that the seatbelts are in a working condition
3. Check seat adjustment for correct driving position
4. Check that the parking brake is applied and the release mechanism works
5. Check that the gear lever is in the neutral position
6. Check for any obstructions on the floor or dash board
7. Check pressure on the brake and clutch pedals
8. Check steering for any excessive free play
9. Check all mirrors for maximum rear view vision
10. Turn the ignition key to the “on” position without starting the engine
11. The examiner will now request the applicant to operate the following:
 - Lights
 - Direction indicators
 - Horn
 - Wipers
 - Brake lights
 - Revers lights
12. Switch ignition off and return all switches to the “off” position



1. Interior rear view mirror
2. Window wiper
3. Exterior rear view mirror
4. Steering wheel
5. Direction indicators
6. Gear lever
7. Parking brake
8. Clutch pedal
9. Brake pedal
10. Accelerator pedal (petrol)
11. Horn (hooter)

* Wiper lever is on the left of the steering wheel

Pre - Trip Inspection - Exterior :

1. Check under the vehicle for obvious leaks and obstructions
2. Open and close right - hand door and say it works
3. Check the right - hand rear view mirror for damage, cleanliness and stability
4. Check the right - hand front tyre for :
Tread wear and damage , side wall damage , inflation and wheel nuts
5. Check the windscreen for damage and cleanliness
6. Check wiper blades for wear, stability and cleanliness
7. Check the front light lenses and reflectors for damage, cleanliness and stability
8. Check the front of the vehicle for damage and security of the grill and bumper
9. Check the front registration plate damage, cleanliness and stability
10. Check the Roadworthiness disc (licence disc) for validity
11. Check the left - hand rear view mirror for damage, cleanliness and stability
12. Open and close left - hand door and say it works
13. Check the left - hand front tyre for :
Tread wear and damage , side wall damage , inflation and wheel nuts
14. Check the tilt cab locking device , make sure that it is locked in place
15. Mention that the oil, water, brake fluid and fan belt should be checked
16. Mention that the jack, wheel spanner and emergency triangle is checked
17. Check the rear cab window for damage and cleanliness
18. Check battery and holder for damage and stability
19. Check the left - hand drop sides for damage, cleanliness and stability
20. Check the left - hand rear tyre for :
Tread wear and damage , side wall damage , inflation and wheel nuts
21. Check the rear drop sides for damage, cleanliness and stability
22. Check the rear chevron and reflector tape for damage and stability
23. Check the rear light lenses and reflectors for damage, cleanliness and stability
24. Check the exhaust for damage and stability
25. Check the spare wheel for tread wear, side wall damage, inflation and stability
26. Check the right - hand rear tyre's for :
Tread wear and damage , side wall damage , inflation and wheel nuts
27. Check the right - hand drop sides for damage, cleanliness and stability
28. Check the fuel tank and cap for stability and any leaks