

A. GENERAL

1. According to Ontario licensing renewal procedures, Ontario drivers in Classes A, B, C, D, E, F, G M, and M with condition "L" should receive a renewal application or postcard in the mail to the last address registered on the Ministry of Transportation's database approximately 60 to 90 days prior to your driver's licence expiry date.
2. If you do not receive or have lost a renewal application, a new one can be printed, and your licence renewed while you wait, at any Driver & Vehicle Licence Issuing Office.
3. You can renew an expired driver's licence, without taking tests, within one year of the licence expiry date.

B. INVALID LICENCE

1. If a driver's licence has been invalid (expired, cancelled or suspended) for more than one, but fewer than three years, you must visit a DriveTest centre to complete a vision test.
2. If your licence has been invalid for more than three years, you must pass vision, knowledge and road tests.
3. If your licence has been invalid for over three years but not more than 10 years, you have to reapply under the Graduated Licensing Program at a DriveTest centre; the mandatory waiting periods are waived.
4. If your licence has been invalid for over ten years, you have to reapply under the Graduated Licensing Program at a DriveTest centre but serve all the mandatory waiting periods.

For further information, visit www.drivetest.ca and www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/dandv/driver/gradu/index.shtml

C. RENEWAL PROCESS

1. To renew your licence, take the Renewal Application or postcard to a Driver and Vehicle Licence Issuing Office.
2. You may be asked to sign the application.
3. You will be required to show identification (verifying name, date of birth and signature), pay the required renewal amount, and have your photograph taken if required.
4. The renewal fee is \$75.00.
5. All payments made by personal cheques must be certified unless sent by mail.
6. The DriveTest website lists the acceptable documentation under How to Apply for a Driver's Licence in Ontario.

NOTE: For Classes A, B, C, E and F or Condition Z (air brake endorsement), you must go to a DriveTest centre to take the required tests. Once you complete the required tests, you must take the renewal application to a Driver and Driver and Vehicle Licence Issuing Office to renew your licence. For further information, visit www.drivetest.ca and www.ontario.ca/en/services_for_residents/STEL02_155833

D. DRIVERS AGED 80 AND OVER

1. The Senior Driver Renewal Program requires drivers aged 80 years and over to renew their licence every two years.
2. Once you reach age 80, you must take a vision test, a multiple-choice test on rules of the road and road signs, and take part in a Group Education Session before you can renew your licence.
3. A small number of drivers may also be asked to take a road test to have their driving skills assessed.
4. The Group Education Session is a class where a group of about 15 drivers aged 80 and older will receive information about new traffic laws and how aging affects driving, driving tips to help older drivers and a review of road signs.
5. The information will be provided by a trained driving counsellor who will lead a discussion on these topics. You will also be provided with a booklet on senior driver safety. You may access the booklet at www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/dandv/driver/senior/senior.shtml
6. You should plan on spending approximately three hours at the session. The group discussion portion lasts about 90 minutes.
7. As you approach your 80th birthday, you will be mailed a letter and a driver's licence renewal form 90 days before your driver's licence expires. Your driver's licence usually expires on your date of birth.
8. This letter will explain what you have to do to renew your licence. After receiving the notice, it is important to call your regional scheduling centre to book an appointment.
9. You must also keep your licence renewal form and bring the completed form with you when you attend the Group Education Session.
10. You will be able to take the vision and written test and attend the Group Education Session all in one day at one of the many locations across the province. The whole process takes about three to three and one-half hours.
11. The Ministry will mail you a letter and a licence renewal form 90 days before your 80th birthday. The letter will tell you what you need to do and the phone number to call to book your session.
12. You will need to telephone the Ministry to book the session. You can go to the location most convenient for you. For more information visit www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/dandv/driver/senior/renewal80.shtml
13. Road tests are not part of the session. If there are indications that you may pose a road safety risk (for example, if you have demerit points on your driver record), however, you will have to take a road test.
14. Having to take a road test doesn't mean you will lose your licence.
15. There is no charge for taking the test and you will be allowed to try the test more than once if you are not successful on your first try. The counsellor at your Group Education Session will discuss this with you.

For further information, visit www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/dandv/driver/index.html

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