




















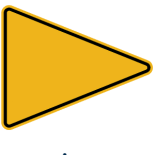










Signs you must recognize

Shape and color tell you what to do before you read the text.

Sign color decoder

 Red Stop, yield, or do not enter	 Yellow Warning of hazard ahead	 Orange Work zone, construction, or detour	 Green Permitted movement or directions
 Blue Driver services, hospitals, rest areas	 Brown Recreation, parks, scenic areas	 White Regulatory — must obey the posted rule	 Yellow-green Pedestrian, school, or bike crossing

New Hampshire signs you will see on the test

 Disabled parking International access symbol. Park here only with disability placard or plate.	 Slippery when wet Road is slippery in rain. Slow down; increase following distance.	 Slow-moving vehicle Orange triangle on rear = vehicle travels 25 mph or slower. Pass when safe.	 Reverse curve Road curves right then left. Slow before the first curve.	 Road work ahead Orange = work zone. Workers on or near road; slow and stay alert.	 Steep grade Steep downhill ahead. Use lower gear; do not ride brakes.
 Cross road Intersection with crossing road ahead. Be ready to yield.	 Right lane ends Right lane ends ahead. Traffic must merge left.	 Winding road Three or more curves ahead. Reduce speed before entering.	 Do not enter Wrong-way entry blocked. Never enter from this direction.	 Sharp turn right Road changes direction at extreme angle. Slow significantly before turn.	 No passing zone Pennant shape on left side = start of no-passing zone.
 Stop 8-sided red sign. Full stop at line; check all directions before going.	 Chevron — sharp left Road curves sharply left. Follow the direction of the chevron.	 Railroad crossing Round yellow advance warning. Slow, look, listen, prepare to stop.	 Advisory speed Maximum safe speed for this curve or exit ramp (e.g. 30 mph).	 Traffic signal ahead Signal at intersection ahead. Begin slowing and prepare to stop.	 Low shoulder Shoulder drops below road level. Drifting off causes loss of control.
 Hazardous objects Orange warning markers on hazardous objects. Keep clear.	 Railroad crossing (RR) Approaching railroad tracks. Yield to all trains.	 Reduced speed ahead Begin reducing speed now. New lower limit posted ahead.	 Detour right Orange = work zone detour. Follow alternate route to the right.		

Sign shape shortcuts

Rules of the road

Right of way

4-way stop — First to arrive goes first. Ties yield to driver on the right.

T-intersection — Driver on the through road has right-of-way.

Driveway / private road — Yield to all traffic already on the public road.

Left turn — Yield to all oncoming traffic and pedestrians.

Pedestrian — Always yield in any crosswalk, marked or unmarked.

Emergency vehicle — Pull to right edge and stop. Never block intersections.

Roundabout — Yield to traffic already circulating before entering.

School bus — red flashers — Stop both directions. Stay back at least 25 feet.

New Hampshire speed limits

Business or urban residential	30 mph
Rural highway (2-lane)	55 mph
Interstate / divided highway	65 mph

School zone (children present)	10 mph below posted limit
Signal distance before turning	500 feet on highway
Basic Speed Law	Never faster than safe

Lane markings and changes

Solid yellow — No passing on your side of the line.

Broken yellow — Passing allowed when safe.

Double solid yellow — No passing in either direction.

Solid white — Lane change discouraged; marks shoulder or turn lane.

Broken white — Lane change OK when safe.

Left lane (3+ lanes) — Reserved for faster traffic or left turns.

Passing a truck — Do not linger in truck's blind spots.

Turning and signaling

Signal — highway — Signal at least 500 ft before turning or changing lanes.

Hand signal — left — Arm straight out the driver window.

Hand signal — right — Arm bent up at the elbow.

Hand signal — slow / stop — Arm bent down at the elbow.

Right on red — Allowed after a full stop, unless posted otherwise.

Missed expressway exit — Continue to the next exit; never reverse or back up.

Hill — stopped behind car — Stay back at least one vehicle length.

Following distance and sharing

Following distance (NH rule) — Minimum 4 seconds; more in rain, fog, or darkness.

Tailgater behind you — Reduce speed and let the tailgater pass.

Night — oncoming headlights — Dim headlights; look to lower right edge of road.

Motorcyclist — Give a full lane; check blind spots before lane change.

Merging onto freeway — Match freeway speed; freeway traffic has right-of-way.

Railroad — flashing lights — Stop 15 ft from nearest rail; do not cross until clear.

Move-over law — Change lanes for stopped emergency or maintenance vehicles.

Safety, DUI, parking and test-day

New Hampshire DUI quick-facts

Adult driver BAC limit (21+)	0.08%	Only way to lower BAC	Time — nothing else works
Under-21 BAC limit	0.02% or above	Alcohol + other drugs	Effects multiply — both increase
Commercial driver BAC	0.04%	Open container in vehicle	Illegal on any public highway

Hazardous conditions

DO	DON'T
<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Use low beams in fog, rain, and snow+ Increase following distance to 4+ sec in poor visibility+ Steer in the direction of a skid; ease off gas+ Pump non-ABS brakes; press and hold ABS brakes+ Dim headlights for oncoming traffic; look to lower right edge+ Shift to a lower gear on steep downgrades+ Slow down and gently brake if wheels drop off road edge	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Use high beams in fog — light reflects back at you- Brake hard on ice — locks wheels and kills steering- Use cruise control on wet or icy roads- Stop on expressway shoulder unless emergency- Pass a school bus with flashing red lights- Remain in a truck's blind spot longer than necessary- Drink coffee to sober up — only time reduces BAC

Parking and curb rules

From a fire hydrant	Stay 15 feet away	Hill with no curb	Wheels TOWARD road edge
Downhill with curb	Wheels TOWARD curb	No standing zone	Stop only to load/unload passengers
Uphill with curb	Wheels AWAY from curb	Bicycle lane or crosswalk	Never park there

New Hampshire test-day cheat box

Knowledge test length	40 questions	Supervisor age minimum	25+ years old (highest in US)
Passing score	32 of 40 (80%)	Supervised practice hours	40 total, 10 at night
Permit / test fee	\$50	Night driving curfew	1:00 AM – 4:00 AM (under 18)
Issuing agency	NH DMV	Restrictions lift	Automatically at age 18

NH Youth Operator — key rules

Start learning — Age 15.5 to begin supervised driving; age 16 to apply for license.	Supervisor override — Unlimited passengers OK if licensed adult 25+ is in front seat.
Youth Operator License — All drivers under 21 receive Youth Operator License, not standard.	Curfew — No driving 1:00 AM – 4:00 AM; no exceptions listed by statute.
First 6 months — Max 1 passenger under 25 who is not a family member.	Restrictions end — Passenger limit and curfew drop automatically when driver turns 18.

Last-minute test-taking tips

Read every option before you pick — NH often includes a partially-correct choice. When two options seem right, pick the more cautious one. NH's 40-question test is longer than most states; pace yourself. Eliminate obvious wrong answers first, then guess — unanswered counts wrong. Remember NH's unique rules: 4-second following distance, 25+ supervisor, \$50 fee, and restrictions drop at 18 not 21.