## THE PROCESS OF DRIVER'S EDUCATION FOR B-CERTIFICATION (GENERAL DRIVING LICENSE)

Driver's education can start at the age of 16.

### Start of education



#### Study permit - at a District Commissioner

The first thing the student must do is to apply for a study permit at a District Commissioner. That is done by completing an application for a driving license.

The student must take the application in person to the District Commissioner. An identification portrait for the license must also be brought. A medical certificate from a doctor may also be required if the student uses glasses or has impaired vision.

4.000 kr.



### **Choosing a driving instructor**

A driving instructor should be selected before the application at the District Commissioner. Driving instructors work independently and the student must arrange for an instructor by himself or herself.

A list for every driving instructor in the country can be found at netokuskolinn.is. Each instructor decides his hourly fee and it can vary between instructors. The fee for the practical training is paid straight to the instructor.

# **Driving School 1 and the first practical sessions**



### **Driving School 1 - written material**

The student must complete Driving School 1 before practice driving can start. The Internet Driving School (Netökuskólinn) offers Driving School 1 online. You can register for the course here.

Usually Driving School 1 and the practical training sessions (before the practice driving starts) are done at the same time.

13.500 kr.



### Practical training – at least one session

According to regulations, at least one training session in a car must be completed before the written part of the study can start.



### Practical training — at least 10 sessions in total

A minimum of 10 sessions of practical training on a car must be completed before practice driving (with a practice driving instructor) can start. A common number of completed sessions is between 10 and 14

Common price 110.000 - 130.000 kr.

The student will receive a so called "driving course ledger" from the driving instructor. It is intended for registering information regarding all communications between everyone involved in the student's practical training as well as for all other relevant information. The instructor will enter every practice hour into the ledger and confirmation stickers for Driving Schools 1, 2 and 3 are entered there as well. The District Commissioner will also enter permission for practice driving into the ledger. When Driving School 3 is taken as well as the driving test at Frumherji, the ledger must be brought and provided for inspection.

# Practice driving - application at the District Commissioner

To qualify for practice driving, the student must have completed Driving School 1 and a minimum of 10 practical training sessions. The driving instructor determines when the student is ready to start practice driving.

When the student completes Driving School 1 at the Internet Driving School (Netökuskólinn), he will receive a sticker which serves as a confirmation that he has completed the course. The sticker must be attached into the driving course ledger which the student receives from the driving instructor. He will also receive a practice driving sticker which should always be attached to the rear of the car when driving with a practice driving instructor. A practice driving permit must be applied for at the District Commissioner. The driving course ledger must be brought to the District Commissioner when applying for the permit.

The names of the practice driving instructors must be entered into the ledger. There can be more than one practice driving instructor. The practice driving instructor must be at least 24 years old and must have held a driving license for at least 5 years. The District Commissioner will enter a confirmation into the ledger that a practice driving permit has been granted. Practice driving permits are free of charge.

During the practice driving the student practices by driving while accompanied by the practice driving instructor – who often is a parent, other relative, or some sort of legal guardian. It is advisable to contact the driving instructor again when the 17th birthday is 3-4 months away.

# **Driving School 2 - at least 12 practice sessions**

The student usually contacts the driving instructor when the 17th birthday is 3-4 months away. At that time the student usually completes 2 practice sessions or so in addition to the previous 10 practice sessions since a minimum of 12 practice sessions are required for enrolling in Driving School 3.



### **Driving School 2 - written material**

The student must complete Driving School 2 before enrolling in Driving School 3. The Internet Driving School (Netökuskólinn) offers the Driving School 2 course online. You can register for the course here

13,500 kr



### Practice sessions - a minimum total of 12

#### sessions

The student must complete additional prectice sessions with the driving instructor for a minimum total of 12 sessions.

Common price 22.000 - 26.000 kr.

# **Driving School 3**

Driving School 3 is a practical course (driver's training) which takes place in a closed driving area. In order to enroll in Driving School 3, the student must have completed Driving School 1, Driving School 2, as well as a minimum of 12 practice sessions. In Driving School 3 the student will learn how to drive in simulated slippery/icy conditions, how to apply brakes in emergency situations and will experience a rollover in a special "rollover vehicle." The student registers by himself for Driving School 3 at www.okuskoli3.is or (for Akureyri) at www.okugerdi.is.



### **Driving School 3**

The student completes Driving School 3. The duration of the course is about 4 hours.

45.000 kr.

# Written exam at Frumherji and the continuation of practical training

The written exam can be taken up to 2 months before the 17th birthday. To be allowed to take the test, the student must have completed Driving Schools 1, 2 and 3, as well as a minimum of 12 practice sessions. The written exam is taken at Frumherji. The student registers by himself for the exam at https://frumherji.is/thjonusta/profstadir



### The written exam

The exam contains 30 multiple choice questions where each question has 3 possible answers. Each question may have 1, 2 or 3 correct answers. The exam is divided into parts A and B. Maximum allowed errors are 2 for part A and 5 for part B.

4.640 kr.



## Practice hours – at least 15 sessions in total

A minimum of 15 practice sessions with the instructor must be completed before the practical test but a common number of sessions is between 19 and 25. The driving instructor determines when the student is ready for the driving test. The driving instructor will also arrange the test for the student. The test is performed using the driving instructor's vehicle.

Common price 33.000 - 39.000 kr.

# The practical driving exam at Frumherji

The driving test can be taken up to 2 weeks before the 17th birthday. In order to be able to take the test the student must have completed Driving Schools 1, 2, 3 as well as a minimum of 15 practice sessions with the instructor. The test is performed at Frumherji. The driving instructor registers the student for the test.



### The practical driving test

The driving test is performed using the driving instructor's vehicle.

Before the driving test, there is also an oral test. The student picks a card from the examiner which will contain 5 questions. These questions address the vehicle itself, including the controls, gauges, warning lights, seats, mirrors, safety equipment, brakes etc. The students must answer at least 3 questions correctly.

After the oral test, the student will drive for about half an hour while the examiner evaluates his or her proficiency.

12.580 kr.

# **Temporary driving license**

When the student has passed the practical exam he or she will receive a temporary driving license from the examiner. The license is on a piece of paper since it takes 2-3 weeks to make the formal version of the license. The temporary license is valid for 3 years. The student cannot start driving until the 17th birthday, even if the driving test was completed before that.

# **Driving evaluation – permanent driving license**

If the driver has held a temporary driving license for at least 12 months without receiving penalty points due to traffic law violations and without losing the license during that time, he or she can undergo a driving evaluation from the driving instructor.

During the evaluation the driver is evaluated by the driving instructor, as well as by himself. The evaluation addresses driving proficiency, driving habits, and safety in traffic. The evaluation will determine if the driver's evaluation of his or her own ability is in accordance with the evaluation of the driving instructor. The driver will drive for about 45 minutes while being observed by the driving instructor. If the driver passes the evaluation, the instructor will confirm that to the District Commissioner, who will then issue a permanent driving license. The permanent license is valid for 15 years at a time.

## **END OF FORMAL DRIVER'S EDUCATION**

\* All prices are valid for August 1, 2022