



# Taiwan Scooter License Study Guide

For English Speakers

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## Using this Study Guide

**Time is money.** I hope you don't have to waste as much time as I did studying for this test. Forget about picking up driving tips here. You are now studying for the test. I hate saying that because I'm the type of person who loves learning for the sake of it. The contents of the test are 88% irrelevant to driving a scooter. Too bad you have to score at least 85% to pass. This document is still a work in progress.

1. Attempt taking the official practice test
2. Read this study guide front to back
3. Review the difficult questions online
4. Practice online (optional)
5. Take the official test again



## A Guide to True / False Questions

60% of the true/false questions in the question bank are true.

That doesn't mean just guess true. But if you're in a situation where you don't know the answer, it's probably better to guess that way. That's not true for the multiple choice questions though. Each answer is equally likely.

There are several tricky questions, but the test is almost designed to teach you while you take it. Don't get hung up on thinking all of the questions are trick questions. My advice would be, after studying this guide, go with your gut. Let's take a look at some example questions. First some easy questions, then some harder ones.

### True or False

When a motorcycle comes to an intersection that requires hook-turn to turn left, the driver needs to follow such regulations.

The hook-turn is the way you have to make left turns in Taiwan on a scooter. It's also called a two-part left turn. We'll cover a bit about how hook turns work later. For now our focus is on the test taking strategy.

I was actually a bit curious about these style of questions. Of the 21 questions in the bank that use the word "regulations" 4 are false and the rest are true. I'll include the 4 questions below so you can see the type of question they ask when it's supposed to be obviously false.

### False

- Motorcyclists are only required to follow the traffic regulations, and do not need to have the concept of "defensive driving."
- Abiding by the traffic regulations has nothing to do with driving ehics[sic].
- When motorcycles encounter emergency vehicles that are on duty, according to the regulations, motorcycles do not need to yield.
- Motorists involved in an accident without casualties shall be subject to the applicable regulations. Motorists who run away from the crime scene shall be fined and the driving license shall be revoked.

Let's look at another related question.

### True or False

For motorcycles turning left at an intersection that does not require a hook turn, the turn signal should be turned on 30 meters before the intersection. Change to the fast lane or the left turn lane and turn left from the center of the intersection instead of occupying the traffic lane on the opposite direction.

Not as easy this time. There are questions like the one above, but the questions will use the inc

## Signs

26% of the test are sign questions. 5 are multiple choice and 8 are true/false. The tip I mentioned earlier about there being more true correct answer doesn't apply to the sign questions. There's exactly a 50%/50% ratio in the question bank. Pay **EXTREMELY** close attention to the sign names. Some of the questions on the sign names are very subtle. I've grouped the more similar signs next to each other.

If you're like me you'll probably spend most of your time studying the hand signals and road type sections.

The sign names may vary slightly between the true/false and multiple choice questions.

### Warning Signs



Right turn



Left turn



Winding road, right turn ahead



Winding road veers left ahead



Narrow bridge



Road narrows



Right lane narrows ahead



Left lane narrows ahead



Warf embankment



Steep drop-off on the left



Watch for falling rocks on right



Steep uphill ahead



Steep downgrade



Tunnel



Two-way



Road forks ahead



Crossroads ahead



On-ramp traffic merges into lane


















T Intersection



Circular intersection












## Warning Signs

			
Watch out for bicycles	Watch out for trolley	Watch out for pedestrians	Watch out for children
			
Watch out for the disabled	Watch out for heavy wind	Railroad crossing without gate	Railroad crossing with gate
			
Slippery road	Dip ahead	Bump ahead	Bumpy road
			
Danger	Slow down	Yield	









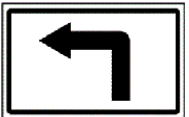


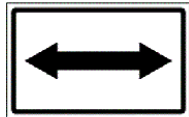








## Sign

## Image

			
Do not enter	Stop and go	No parking	No temporary parking
			
No U-turn	No left turn	No passing	No motor vehicles with 4 or more wheels
			
Taxis with no passengers prohibited	Motor vehicles with four or more wheels and motorcycles prohibited	Large trucks and trailer trucks prohibited	Trailer trucks prohibited

Sign	Image		
			
All motorcycles except large heavy duty motorcycles prohibited	Checkpoint! Stop for inspection	Stop for inspection	Stop for weighing
			
Vehicle length limit	Vehicle width limit	Vehicle height limit	Vehicle gross weight limit
			
Maximum speed	Speed limit: 110 km/h	Minimum speed limit	

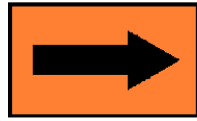
## More Signs

			
Motor vehicles only	Bus only	Pedestrians only	Follow the traffic flow
			
Follow the signs for left and right turns	Traffic flow direction	Keep right	One way
			
Go straight and then turn left	Right turn	Right turn only	Left and right turns allowed
			
Passing bay	Directional arrow	Single lane road	Pedestrian overpass
			
Pedestrian underpass	Left lane closed	Right lane closed	Road construction ahead

## More Signs



Detour ahead



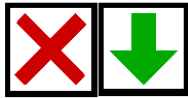
Follow the detour signs



Road closed



This cone serves as an auxiliary barricade to block or separate traffic.



Lane control sign.



Freeway exit and off-ramp sign.



Two exits ahead: 5 km for Yangmei and 30 km for Hsinchu



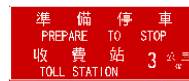
Service area: 2 km



Designated climbing lane for slow moving vehicles on the right, 150 meters ahead.



Vehicles for freeway (southbound) or Tounan must follow the directional arrows to enter ramp.



Toll station ahead in 3 kilometers. Prepare to stop and pay.



Northbound



This sign indicates it's 2,000 meters to the interchange exit.



First-aid station



Public phone



Ferry terminal



Restaurant

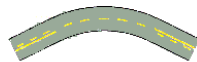


Gas station

## Road Diagrams



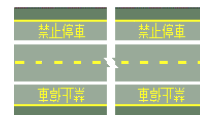
Solid yellow double lines represent passing prohibited in both directions



Solid yellow double lines and broken yellow line represent passing prohibited in one direction

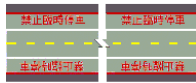


Solid white double lines represent changing lanes prohibited



Solid yellow line means parking prohibited

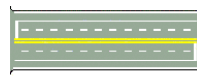
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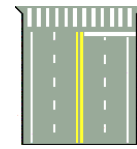
Solid red line means temporary parking prohibited



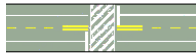
Broken yellow line is a direction separation line



Broken white line marks vehicle lane



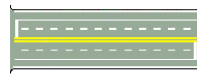
Solid white horizontal line means stop line



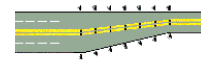
Diagonal white lines mean zebra crossing



Vertical white line is a longitudinal crosswalk line



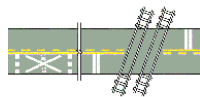
Solid yellow double lines indicate passing in oncoming lanes is prohibited



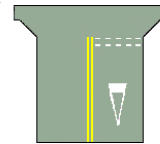
Road width changes



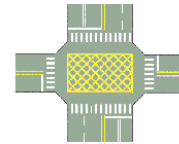
Barrier



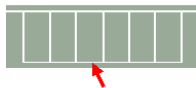
Railroad crossing ahead



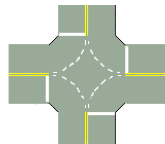
Inverted white triangle means yield



Checkered area indicates no standing in that area



Parking line



Broken white line is a turn line

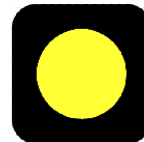
## Traffic Lights



Watch out for traffic signals



Traffic control signal



Special flashing yellow light



Special flashing red light



Pedestrian crossing signal



Pedestrian crossing signal



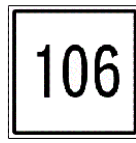
Multi-track electronic railroad crossing.



## Road Types



Provincial road



County road



National road

There is a question that asks you to distinguish between a zebra crossing and longitudinal crosswalk lines. They are both crosswalks. The test seems to use the diagonal crosswalk lines to mean zebra crossing.

## Hand Signs



Vehicles on right must stop



Vehicles on left must stop



Vehicles in front must stop



Vehicles on the left must turn left



Vehicles on the right must turn left



All vehicles must stop



Vehicles on the left must pass through quickly



Vehicles on the right pass through quickly



Vehicles in the front and rear must stop; vehicles approaching from the right and left may pass through

Note that in these questions left and right refers to the left and right of the officer and NOT your left and right which would make more sense.

## Indicators



Brake system indicator



Charging indicator



Low oil pressure indicator



Engine breakdown indicator



Low fuel indicator



Door-open indicator



Turn signals



Fog indicator

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Indicators

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Safety belt indicator



Emergency lights button

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## Driver's License Suspension, Revocation

There are a lot of questions where you have to know the penalty of doing something wrong. It doesn't matter if you will never drive drunk. You must know the penalty of driving drunk twice in a period of 5 years!

Also note that driver's license revocation is different from driver's plate revocation.

Examples of actions that can cause license suspension:

- Drunk Driving

All actions that can cause license revocation:

- Level Crossing
- Failure to yield to an ambulance
- Driving without a license or incorrect license type
- Killing someone when there is criminal negligence