



Medical Examination Standards For Disabled Driver's Licensing



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PREFACE



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would like to take this opportunity to thank the Occupational Health Unit, Disease Control Division, Ministry of Health, Malaysia for embarking on this much needed project. The issue of non uniformity in the medical examination of disabled drivers has been highlighted many a time and thus it is timely for examination standards to be produced. People with disabilities may be issued driver's licenses based on their ability to perform basic functions.

The disabled have a growing need to be mobile in order to expand their earning capacity. This brings the need to have standards that govern the licensing process in order to ensure that the disabled are given a chance to drive whilst not endangering the rest of the road users.

These standards were developed with input from experts in the associated fields not withstanding the participation of the Social Welfare Department. Pain was taken to ensure that the standards serve to assist the disabled driver in procuring a driver's license if found to be competent enough to handle

a vehicle and to ensure appropriate modification of the vehicles is carried out by registered dealers. Each disabled person will be assessed based on their individual abilities and needs in relation to the proposed vehicle to be used. This will reduce the need for unaccepted vehicle modifications that may not meet prescribed safety standards. The Ministry of Health, Malaysia strives to facilitate disabled drivers by ensuring the provision of medical assessment is available in Ministry of Health facilities around the country.

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MEDICAL EXAMINATION STANDARDS

MEDICAL EXAMINATION STANDARDS

Definition

"Persons with Disabilities" according to Persons With Disabilities 2008 (Act 685) include those who have long term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairments which in interaction with various barries may hinder their full and effective perticipation in society.

Examination standards are to be used to determine the fitness level of the applicants. Any applicant not fulfilling the criteria stated will be considered as unfit to apply for a driving license.

Chapter	oter 1 Medical Requirement For Visual Disorders	
Со	ndition	Medical Standard
1.1 VISUAL	_ IMPAIRMENT	License may be granted if visual acuity is better than 6/18 in one eye (i.e. 6/15, 6/12, 6/9, 6/6 or better) with or without glasses or contact lenses. Person with complete loss of vision in one eye may drive if visual
		acuity and visual field in the remaining eye meets the required standard.
		Test required:
		Visual acuity test done at 6 meters, using standard Snellen's Chart either number, alphabet, or illiterate E Chart. Test one eye at a time.
1.2 VISUAL	FIELD DEFECTS	License may be granted if the binocular visual field has an extent of at least 120° along the horizontal meridian and 20° above and below the horizontal midline.
		Test required:
		Visual fields may be initially screened by confrontation test. Applicants who fail confrontation test need to be referred to eye clinic for automated perimetry with Goldmann Standard using Binocular Vision Function Test and with both eyes open.
1.3 DIPLOP	PIA (Double Vision)	License may be granted if no diplopia at primary position. Any person with reported double vision should be referred to an Ophthalmologist or Optometrist for further assessment.

C	hapter 2	oter 2 Medical Requirement For Neurological Disorders	
Condition		on	Medical Standard
2.1	EPILEPSY		Free of epileptic attacks (including nocturnal attacks) for at least 2 years with or without medication and review after 5 years.
2.2	FIRST EPILEP		License may be granted after taking into account specialist's opinion, size and condition of the vehicle, duties to be performed and hours of worked (with conditions including limited and/or restricted use): Person has had a single provoked seizure event; and Provocative factors can be avoided reliably; and Seizure free for 1 year; and Does not take anti-epileptic medication; and EEG shows no epileptiform activity
2.3	LOSS OF CONSCIOUSN DUE TO SIME		Needs opinion from a physician whether the condition will cause LOC or loss of ability to control a vehicle.
	LOSS OF CONSCIOUSN UNEXPLAINE AND LOW RI RECURRENCE	D SYNCOPE SK OF	Suggested 6 months waiting period lapse from the time of the episode and complete neurological examination. License may be granted if the result is negative and no medication is required to control the condition.
2.4	LOSS OF CONSCIOUSN UNEXPLAINE AND HIGH RI RECURRENCE	D SYNCOPE SK OF	Note: Certification should be done by a physician Certification should be deferred for at least 6 months until the driver has fully recovered from that condition and has no existing residual complications and not taking medication to control the condition.
	More that in previous	cause injury n 1 episode us 6 months aneous sign I cardiac	Control the Condition.
2.5	CHRONIC NEUROLOGIC DISORDERS (e.g. Parkinso		 Response to treatment. Annual driver tester report. Modification to the vehicle if necessary by Rehabilitation Physician or Occupational Therapist. All progressive conditions are to be referred to the neurologist or rehabilitation physician for assessment once in two (2) years.

	Condition	Medical Standard
4	LIABILITY TO SUDDEN ATTACKS OF DISABLING GIDDINESS AND FAINTING	If condition is sudden and disabling, not qualified for licensing. If symptom free and controlled for at least one year, may be considered.
	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM INFECTIONS	 During acute illness, must stop driving: For meningitis - 5 years without medication. For encephalitis - 10 years without medication. If seizure occurs during or after convalescence - must stop driving. License may be granted if 10 years free of attack without medication and do not cause danger whilst driving. Also depends on the residual physical disability as assessed by a Neurologist or Psychiatrist.
5 F S	DISORDERS OF THE SPINAL CORD AND PERIPHERAL NERVOUS SYSTEM (e.g. Peripheral Neuropathy, Cervical Spondylosis)	 Response to treatment. Annual driver tester report. Modification to the vehicle if necessary if necessary by rehabilitation physician or occupational therapist.
ı	(Operated Intracerebral Hematoma or Compound Depressed Fracture or Dural Tear with more than 24 hours Post-Traumatic Amnesia)	Not qualified for licensing until cleared by relevant specialist.
(NON TRAUMATIC CRANIOSPINAL HAEMORRHAGE e.g. Subarachnoid Haemorrhage)	Not qualified for licensing until cleared by relevant specialist.
2.11 (CEREBRAL PALSY	Not qualified for licensing unless cleared by relevant specialist.

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Medical Requirement For Musculoskeletal Disorders

Condition	Medical Standard
3.1 MUSCULOSKELETAL DISORDERS	Not qualified for licensing if:
DISCREEKS	 If rotation of the cervical spine is chronically restricted to less than 45° to the left or right; or
	2. If chronic pain and restriction of peripheral joint movements interfere with the relevant movements or concentration such that a vehicle cannot be operated safely; or
	3. If there is ankylosis or chronic loss of joint movements of sufficient severity that control of vehicle is not safe.
	License may be granted following assessment by Orthopaedic Surgeon, Rehabilitation Physician, Rheumatologist and Occupational Therapist (OT) taking into account the nature of the driving task and subject to OT's assessment and modification.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION FORMAT

PEMERIKSAAN KESIHATAN PERMOHONAN LESEN MEMANDU ORANG KURANG UPAYA

MEDICAL EXAMINATION FOR THE APPLICATION OF DRIVING LICENCE FOR THE DISABLED

Bahagian I: Maklumat Pemohon (Diisi oleh Pemohon) Part I: Applicant's Information (To be filled by the applicant)

Nota: Jika sedang mendapat rawatan untuk sebarang masalah kesihatan, sila lampirkan surat/laporan daripada doktor yang merawat.

Nota: If on treatment for any medical conditions please attach medical report from the attending doctor.

Nama Pemohon: Applicant's Name:	Tarikh Pemeriksaan: Date of Examination:
Alamat: Address:	
No. Kad Pengenalan: NRIC No.:	No. Pendaftaran OKU (jika ada) Disable Person's Register No. (if applicable)
No. Kad Pengenlan Tentera/Polis (jika berkaitan): Police I Army ID No. (if relevant):	
No. Paspot (jika berkaitan): Passport No. (if relevant):	
Jantina: Lelaki Perempuan Sex: Male Female	
Tarikh Lahir: Hari Bulan D.O.B: Month	Tahun Year
No. Telefon: Contact No.: Bimbit: Mobile:	
JENIS KURANG UPAYA (TYPE OF DISABILITY): Nyatakan: Specify	
KELAS LESEN <i>(CLASS OF LICENCE):</i>	
	lan Motosikal Lain-lain (Nyatakan):
Nota : Note : 1) Borang ini perlu dibawa bersama jika dirujuk kepada pak: This form should be brought by applicant if referred	to specialist
Hanya pengesahan (bahagian v) perlu dikemukakan kepa Only certification (part v) should be submitted to the	
 Untuk permohonan lesen memandu kenderaan berat, per standard yang sesuai For applications of heavy vehicle licenses, assessment appropriate standards. 	meriksaan akan dilakukan berdasarkan individu dan mematuhi t will be done on an individual basis and subject to

Bahagian II: Sejarah Kesihatan (Diisi oleh Pengamal Perubatan) Part II: Medical History (To be filled by examining doctor)

Masalah Perubatan / Penyakit / Diagnosa Semasa: Present Medical Problem / Illness / Known Diagnosis:				
Sejarah Kesihatan Lain: Other Medical History:				
Diabetes / Diabetes Sawan / Epilepsy				
Asma / Asthma Penyakit Jantung / Ischaemic Heart Disease				
Lain-lain / Others:				
Sejarah Rawatan Dan Senarai Ubatan Yang Sedang Digunakan: Treatment History And List Of Medication Currently Being Used:				

Bahagian III: Pemeriksaan Kesihatan (Diisi oleh Pengamal Perubatan) Part III: Medical Examination (To be filled by examining doctor)

A.	Pemeriksaan Umum (General Exa	amination)				
	Kadar nadi <i>Pulse rate</i>		Tekanan darah <i>Blood pressur</i> e	;		
В.	Pemeriksaan Fungsi Penglihatan	(Visual Functio	n Assessment)			
	Tahap penglihatan (Dengan kaca mata / kanta sentuh sekiranya memakai kaca mata / kanta sentuh) Berdasarkan Carta Snellen sama ada carta nombor, abjad atau carta E pada jarak 6 meter					
	Visual Acuity (with glasses/contact lenses if wearing them) Based on Snellen's Chart whether numerical, alphabetical or E chart at a distance of 6 metres					
	Mata Kanan	(Right eye)	Mata Kiri	i (Left eye)		
	Medan Penglihatan (Visual Field by Confrontation Te	est)				
		Abnormal Abnomal		< Pakar Oftalmologi r to Ophthalmologist		
	Nampak dua bila memandang ke depan (Diplopia when looking straight)					
	Tidak No	Ya Yes	Rujuk	k Pakar Oftalmologi/Op Ir to Ophthalmologist	tometrist :/Optometrist	
	Maklumbalas dari Pakar Oftalmologi Feedback from Ophthalmologist					
			outusan ndings	Ulasan Remarks		
	Tahap Penglihatan Visual Acuity					
	Medan Penglihatan Visual Fields					
	Diplopia					
			I			

C.	Neur	olog	i (Neurology)			
	BAHAGIAN SEJARAH PERUBATAN MEDICAL HISTORY SECTION					
	1.		ngalami jenis epilepsi / sawan? I any epilepsy or fits?	Ya Yes	Tidak <i>No</i>	Catatan Remarks
		a)	Sekiranya "Ya", sila nyatakan tarikh serangai If "Yes", please specify the date of the la *Nota: Sila rujuk doktor yang merawat. *Note: Please refer to examining doctor.	st attack:	Н	I H B B T T
	2.	mas <i>Hav</i>	npunyai sejarah / tanda / gejala untuk alah seperti tersenarai di bawah: ing history / signs / symptoms for ditions listed below:	Ya Yes	Tidak <i>N</i> o	Catatan Remarks
		a)	Pernah mangalami masalah pitam atau pengsan?* Ever experienced loss of consciousness?*			
		b)	Penyakit / kecederaan kepada Sistem Saraf Pusat ?* Central Nervous System Disorder/ Diseases / Injury?*			
		c)	Penyakit / kecederaan kepada Sistem Saraf Periferi ?* Peripheral Nervous System Disorder/ Diseases / Injury?*			
		d)	Cerebral Palsy?* Cerebral Palsy?*			
		e)	Serangan Pening / Vertigo / Pusing- pusing yang tiba-tiba dan menghilangkan keupayaan?* Giddiness / Vertigo / Sudden Dizziness Causing Disablement?*			
	atau <i>If an</i> j	nana- dokto <i>y of</i> :	-mana jawapan bagi soalan no.2 adalah 'Ya' a or mensyaki masalah kognitif, pemeriksaan fun the answers to question no.2 is 'Yes' or if t ny cognitive problems, cognitive function t	ngsi kognitif The applicar	(no.1) perlu dijalar nt has suffered he	nkan. ead injury or the doctor

BAHAGIAN PEMERIKSAAN PERUBATAN MEDICAL EXAMINATION SECTION Fungsi Kognitif Cognitive Function Markah Ya = 1, Tidak = 0Score Yes =1, No = 0Markah Catatan Ingatan Remarks Memory Score Boleh mengingati nombor-nombor yang disebut. Able to remember numbers Tahu umur Knows his I her age Boleh mengingati tarikh / tahun dilahirkan Able to remember date I year of birth Persepsi Perception Markah Catatan Kesedaran Orientation Score Remarks Sedar hari pemeriksaan dijalankan Able to identify day of examination Sedar bulan pemeriksaan dijalankan Able to identify month of examination f) Sedar tahun pemeriksaan dijalankan Able to identify year of examination Sedar di mana dia berada Aware of location Tahu pekerjaan yang dilakukan Knows his/her profession Markah Catatan Daya ingatan Memory recall Remarks Score Kebolehan mengingat semula nombor yang disebut pada awal pemeriksaan Ability to recall the earlier mentioned number Jumlah Markah Total Score Pemarkahan Score 0-4 Berkemungkinan Demantia 5-6 Pertengahan >7 Normal Probable Dementia Borderline Normal Bagi mereka yang mendapat markah 5 atau kurang, mereka hendaklah dirujuk kepada pakar psikiatrik untuk

pemeriksaan lanjut.

All those score of 5 or less to be referred to psychiatrist for further assessment.

Catatan: Remarks:

2. And Up	ggota atas per limb		NAN GHT	KIRI <i>LEFT</i>	
a)	Tona Tone	Normal Normal	Abnormal Abnormal	Normal Normal	Abnormal Abnormal
b)	Kekuatan <i>Power</i>				
	i) Bahu Shoulder	,	/5	,	['] 5
	ii) Siku <i>Elbow</i>	,	/5	,	' 5
	iii) Pergelangan tangan <i>Wrist</i>	,	/5	,	' 5
c)	Deria sentuh Sensory	Normal Normal	Abnormal Abnormal	Normal Normal	Abnormal Abnormal
d)	Refleks <i>Reflexes</i>	Ada Present	Tiada Absent	Ada Present	Tiada Absent
K)	Propriosepsi Proprioception	Ada Present	Tiada Absent	Ada Present	Tiada Absent
3. And	ggota bawah wer limb		NAN GHT		IRI EFT
a)	Tona <i>Tone</i>	Normal Normal	Abnormal Abnormal	Normal Normal	Abnormal Abnormal
b)	Kekuatan <i>Power</i>				
	i) Pinggul <i>Hip</i>	,	/5	/	5
	ii) Lutut <i>Knee</i>	,	/5	/5	
	iii) Buku lali <i>Ankl</i> e	,	/5	/	5
c)	Deria sentuh <i>Sensory</i>	Normal Normal	Abnormal Abnormal	Normal Normal	Abnormal Abnormal
d)	Refleks <i>Reflexes</i>	Ada <i>Present</i>	Tiada Absent	Ada Present	Tiada Absent
e)	Propriosepsi Proprioception	Ada Present	Tiada Absent	Ada Present	Tiada Absent
*No *No the	*Nota: Jika mempunyai tanda-tanda seperti di atas, sila rujuk pakar rehab / juru terapi carakerja. *Note: If any symptoms and signs are present as above please refer to the rehab physician / occupational therapist. Ulasan Pakar Specialist Review				

uscu	ı Mı		ic)	
		usculoskeletal :		Normal
В	losk	keletal system:		Normal
В				Abnormal, nyatakan:
	Baha	agian anggota ata	s (Upper	limbs)
i))	Paras amputasi Amputation leve		
ii)	Kecacatan Deformity		
ii	i)	Lain-lain Other		
В	Baha	agian anggota bav	vah <i>(Lo</i> и	ver limbs)
i))	Paras amputasi Amputation leve		
ii)	Kecacatan Deformity		
ii	i)	Lain-lain Other		
		ng tengkok rical spine		
ota : .	Jika	abnormal, rujuk pe	gawai per	nulihan carakerja
		abnormal, rujuk pe bhormal, refer to		
	If a	Ilasan Pakar Ortop	occupation	onal therapist
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	If a	Ilasan Pakar Ortop	occupation	onal therapist
	If a	bnormal, refer to	occupati	onal therapist

Bahagian IV: Ulasan Pakar / Pegawai Perubatan (Diisi oleh Pengamal Perubatan) Part IV: Specialist / Medical Practitioner's Review (To be filled by examining doctor)

Ulasan Pakar / Pegawai Perubatan Specialist / Medical Pratitioner's Review	
•	
Tarikh : Date:	Nama
	(Name)
	Tandatangan dan cop rasmi (Signature and official stamp)

Bahagian V: Pengesahan Kelayakan Part V: Certification of fitness

Pengesahan kelayakan (Pegawai Perubatan yang memeriksa)					
Certification of fitness (to be completed by the attending medical pr	ractitioner)				
Saya dengan ini mengesahkan bahawa saya telah memeriksa pemohon bernama yang mempunyai No.K/P : dan mendapati pemohon ini adalah:					
I hereby declare that I have examined the applicant named_ with NIRC :and certify he/she is :					
Layak untuk memohon lesen memandu. Fit to apply for driving license.					
Tidak layak untuk memohon lesen memandu sehin Unfit to apply for driving license pending furth					
Layak untuk memohon lesen memandu dengan cadangan modifikasi seperti di lampiran. Fit to apply for driving license with modification suggestions as per attachment.					
Tidak layak untuk memohon lesen memandu. <i>Unfit to apply for driving license.</i>					
Tarikh : <i>Date :</i>	Nama : Name :				
	Tandatangan dan cop rasmi : Signature and official stamp :				
	Tandatangan : Signature :				
	Nama Pegawai Perubatan : Name of Medical Officer :				
	Tarikh Pengesahan : Date of Confirmation :				

GUIDELINES FOR MEDICAL EXAMINATION

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Introduction

Medical examinations for the application of driving licenses for disabled drivers is a necessary requirement to ensure the ability of the disabled person to physically handle a vehicle and make appropriate decisions while riding or driving. Various formats are being used around the country thus creating inconsistencies in the approval to apply for driving licenses. As such the Ministry of Health has developed a medical examination format in order to standardize the process of application of driver's licenses for disabled drivers in the country.

Objective

The objective of this format is to:

- Ensure the standardization of medical examinations being conducted by the government doctors for the application of drivers license by the disabled.
- To develop standards to be used in the determination of the fitness of the applicants to apply for a drivers license.

Medical Examination

1. Who conducts the medical examinations?

- Government Doctors
 - Out patient Doctors
 - Rehabilitation Specialists
 - Specialists

2. Place of examination

- Government Clinics
- Government Hospitals

Medical Examination Format

Part 1 : Applicants Information

This section describes the socio demographic details of the applicant and is to be completed by the applicant.

The section includes:

- i. Name of the applicant
- ii. Address
- iii. Identification card number
- iv. Date of birth
- v. Gender
- vi. Contact information
- vii. Type of disability
- viii. Class of license applied

Part 2: Medical History

Medical history is to be completed by the examining doctor.

Part 3: Medical examination

- . Vision
 - Visual acquity is to be tested using Snellens Chart
 - Visual field tested using the Confrontation Method
- ii. Neurological System

This includes:

- History of epilepsy
- Symptoms of neurological disorders
- Cognitive Functions
- Examination of the Musculoskeletal System

Part 4: Specialists Review

Applicant is to bring the form along for the specialists review. The specialist's comments and recommendations are documented.

Part 5: Certification of fitness

Certification of fitness is to be completed by the examining doctor and indicates the ability of the applicant to apply for a vocational driving license. Only the certification of fitness (Part V of the form) should be given to the applicant for submission to Road Transport Department (RTD).

Confidentiality

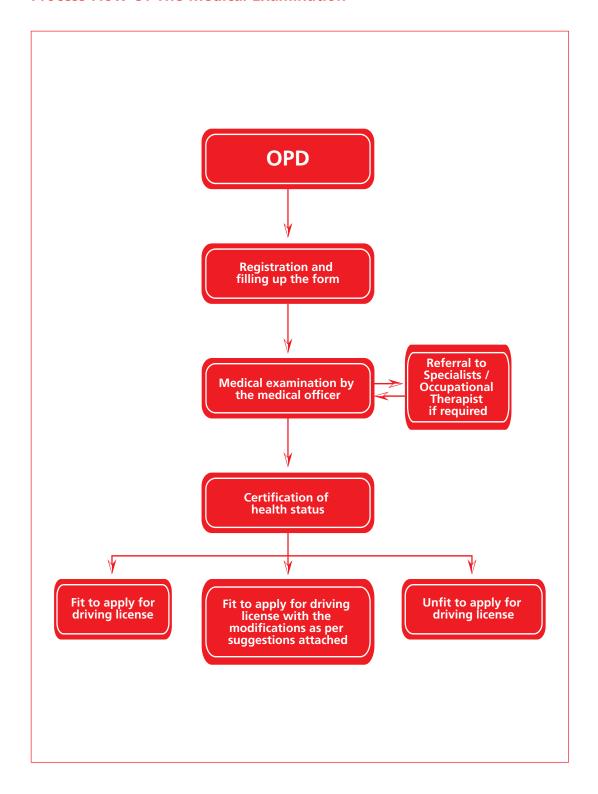
- a. All information obtained from the medical examination is confidential and may not be divulged to anyone without the permission of the applicant.
- All data of the medical examination will be retained by the clinic where the examination was conducted.

Additional notes:

- 1. Those with hearing impairment and deafness are allowed to apply for driving license for personal use.
- 2.According to the Road Transport Act 1987, it is the responsibility of a disabled person to report his/her disability to the authorities for licensing purposes. Enforcement officers, police or medical practitioners may voluntarily report new cases of disability to the Road Transport Department.



Process Flow Of The Medical Examination



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