

Points to Note for Driving Learning

In general, after passing the written test and obtaining the Learner's Driving Licence, candidates may proceed with driving training in order to get prepared for their road tests. You are strongly advised to select a suitable driving instructor as soon as possible for scheduling of a training plan well in advance and to ensure you can receive adequate training hours before taking the road test.

• Three groups of private driving instructor

If you intend to engage a private driving instructor (PDI), you should <u>ensure the PDI holds</u> <u>a valid PDI Licence and is qualified to give driving instructions for the relevant vehicle type</u>. At present, PDIs are categorised into the following three groups covering concerned vehicle types:

- ➢ Group 1 (GP 1) private cars and light goods vehicles;
- ▶ Group 2 (GP 2) private and public light buses, private and public buses; and
- ➢ Group 3 (GP 3) medium goods vehicles, heavy goods vehicles and articulated vehicles.
- PDI Licence

Please be advised that the PDI's name, the corresponding group and validity date of the PDI Licence, etc. are shown on the PDI Licence (see the picture below). If necessary, candidates **should request their PDIs to produce their original PDI Licences for verification**. It should also be noted that according to law, a learner driver shall not drive a motor vehicle of the class specified in his / her learner's driving licence unless he / she is accompanied by a driving instructor holding a valid driving instructor's licence.



Candidates may also check the identity of PDIs through the Name Lists of Driving Instructors which are available on TD Website (Public Service > Licences and Permits > Driving Test > Private Driving Instructors). Candidates are also advised to agree with their PDIs on tuition fee, fee-paying items (such as test vehicle rental), etc. prior to the training lessons in order to avoid disputes.

For enquiries about the PDIs (including verifying their identities) or Government Designated Driving Schools, please call the TD hotline at 2804 2600 or email to <u>tdenq@td.gov.hk</u>.