



Excessive Speeding

When a driver is convicted of speeding 31 mph or more over the posted speed limit, the driver will have to attend a departmental hearing. The driver will receive a written notice of the specific time and location of the required hearing. The hearing examiner will review the driving record. Upon the department's review of the hearing, one or both of the following will be initiated:

1. **15-day license suspension**
2. **special on-road driver's examination**

If a 15-day suspension is initiated, the driving record will show 5 points upon restoration. No points are removed if a special driver's examination is initiated and completed.

Failure to attend this departmental hearing will result in a 60-day license suspension.

Accumulation of 11 Points or More

When any driving record reaches 11 or more points, the driver's license automatically will be suspended. The length of suspension depends on how many times the license was suspended in the past. The suspension schedule is as follows:

1. **first suspension – five days per point**
2. **second suspension – 10 days per point**
3. **third suspension – 15 days per point**
4. **subsequent suspensions – one year**

Point Removal for Safe Driving

Three points are removed from a driving record for every 12 consecutive months a person drives (from the date of the last violation) without a violation that results in points, license suspension or revocation. Once a driving record is reduced to zero and remains at zero points for 12 consecutive months, any further accumulation of points is treated as the first accumulation of points.



License Suspension and Restoration

If a driver's license is suspended, the motorist will receive a written notice requesting that the license be returned to PennDOT immediately. You may appeal this suspension to the county Court of Common Pleas. It must be filed within 30 days of the mailing date of the notice. Once the suspension time period has elapsed, the driver may apply for license restoration upon paying the appropriate restoration fee.

Notice of Change of Name or Address

Within 15 days of a change of name or address, you are required by law to notify the Bureau of Driver Licensing in writing. Appropriate forms are available in my constituent service office.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have questions about your driving record or Pennsylvania's point system in general, call:

In state: (800) 932-4600

Out of state: (717) 412-5300

TTY in state: (800) 228-0676

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POINT VIOLATIONS

VEHICLE CODE	OFFENSES	POINTS
1512	Violation of restriction on driver's license — wearing glasses, etc.	2
1571	Violation concerning license	3
3102	Failure to obey policeman or authorized person directing traffic	2
3111.1	Obedience to traffic control devices warning of hazardous conditions	2
3112 (a)(3)(i)(ii)	Failure to stop for a red light	3
3114 (a)(1)	Failure to stop for a flashing red light	3
3302	Failure to yield half of roadway to oncoming vehicle	3
3303	Improper passing — failure to allow other vehicle to legally pass	3
3304	Improper passing on the right	3
3305	Improper passing on the left — clear distance ahead	3
3306 (a)(1)	Improper passing on a hill	4
3306 (a)(2)	Improper passing at a railroad crossing or intersection	3
3306 (a)(3)	Improper passing at a bridge or tunnel	3
3307	Improper passing in a non-passing zone	3
3310	Following too closely	3
3321	Failure to yield to driver on the right at intersection	3
3322	Failure to yield to oncoming driver when making left turn	3
3323 (b)	Failure to stop for stop sign	3
3323 (c)	Failure to yield at yield sign	3
3324	Failure to yield when entering or crossing roadway between intersections	3
3332	Improper turning around — illegal U-turns	3
3341 (a)	Failure to obey signal indicating approach of train	2
3341 (b)	Failure to comply with crossing gate or barrier	4
	and a 30-day suspension	
3342 (b or e)	Failure to stop at railroad crossings	4
3344	Failure to stop when entering from alley, driveway or building	3
3345 (a)	Failure to stop for school bus with flashing red lights	5
	and a 60-day suspension	
3361	Driving too fast for conditions	2
	in an active work zone — with accident	15-day suspension
3362	Exceeding maximum speed:	
	6 to 10 miles over speed limit	2
	11 to 15 miles over speed limit	3
	11+ miles in an active work zone	15-day suspension
	16 to 25 miles over speed limit	4
	26 to 30 miles over speed limit	5
	31 or more miles over speed limit	5
	and a departmental hearing and sanctions provided under Sec. 1538 (d)	
3365 (b)	Exceeding special speed limit in school zone	3
3365 (c)	Exceeding special speed limit for trucks on downgrades	3
3542 (a)	Failure to yield to pedestrians in crosswalk	2
3547 (a)	Failure to yield to pedestrians on sidewalk (when entering from a driveway or alley)	3
3549 (a)	Failure to yield to blind pedestrians	3
3702	Improper backing	3
3714 (a)	Careless driving	3
3745	Leaving scene of an accident involving property damage only	4

Pennsylvania's Point System



How it Works

The Department of Transportation maintains a driving record for every licensed driver in Pennsylvania. Points are added to a driving record when a driver is found guilty of certain driving (moving) violations.

The purpose of the point system is to help to improve your driving habits and to ensure safe driving. The department begins corrective action when a driving record reaches 6 or more points. The following sections explain what happens when a driving record reaches 6 or more points.

First Accumulation of 6 Points

When any driving record reaches 6 or more points for the first time, the driver will receive a written notice to take a special point examination. The examination will address:

1. knowledge of safe driving practices
2. knowledge of departmental sanctions
3. knowledge of related safety issues

The driver has 30 days to successfully pass the exam or else the license will be suspended until the exam is passed. If the exam is passed within the 30-day period, 2 points will be removed from the driving record.

Second Accumulation of 6 Points

When any driving record is reduced below 6 points and then for a second time reaches 6 or more points, the driver will have to attend a departmental hearing. The driver will receive a written notice of the specific time and location of the required hearing. At the hearing, a hearing examiner will review the driver's record. After the hearing, the department can:

1. order a 15-day license suspension
2. order you to take a special on-road driver's examination
3. take no action

If a person's driving privilege is suspended or a special driver's exam is recommended, 2 points will be removed from the driving record if the driver passes the exam within 30 days, or 2 points will be removed once the 15-day suspension has been served. No points are removed from the driving record if the department does not initiate a sanction.

Failure to attend the hearing will result in a 60-day license suspension.

Third or More Accumulations of 6 Points

When any driving record is reduced below 6 points and for the third or subsequent time reaches 6 or more points, the driver will have to attend a departmental hearing. The hearing examiner will review the driving record. The department will then determine if a 30-day license suspension will be initiated.

Failure to attend this departmental hearing will result in the suspension of the driver's license until the driver attends the hearing.

If you are under 18

The driving privileges of a person under 18 will be suspended if that individual accumulates 6 or more points or is convicted of driving 26 miles per hour or more over the posted speed limit. The first suspension will be for 90 days. Any additional occurrences will result in a suspension of 120 days.