## **Motorcyclist Knowledge Test Questions for Driver Manual**

(questions 1-4 are from AAMVA NMDTS)

- 1. Motorcyclists:
  - a. are easy to see and judge their speed and distance
  - b. may share a traffic lane with a passenger vehicle
  - c. have the right to use the full lane width\*
- 2. Motorcyclists have a greater risk of injury in any collision with another vehicle because:
  - a. they have very little protection, just the gear they wear\*
  - b. they are allowed to drive faster than other roadway users
  - c. other roadway users do not expect to see motorcyclists
- 3. When you see a motorcyclist with their turn signal on:
  - a. assume it is turning
  - b. do not assume it is turning\*
  - c. flash your headlights at them
- 4. When following a motorcyclist, \_\_\_\_\_ your following distance.
  - a. decrease
  - b. maintain
  - c. increase\*
- 5. When changing lanes around a motorcyclist and other roadway users always:
  - a. check your blind spots\*
  - b. rely on your mirrors
  - c. slow down
- 6. In general, motorcyclists:
  - a. are difficult to see in traffic\*
  - b. can avoid crashes easier than car drivers
  - c. always have the right-of-way
- 7. Because motorcycles are smaller and more difficult to see than cars:
  - a. it allows them to exceed the speed limit
  - b. they may share the travel lane with you
  - c. it is harder to judge their speed and distance\*
- 8. When you want to pass a motorcyclist, you must:
  - a. encourage the motorcyclist to move onto the shoulder
  - b. share the lane, but keep to the left side
  - leave space by adjusting your lane position\*

- 9. When turning left in front of an oncoming motorcyclist with their turn signal on:
  - a. turn quickly and allow room for the motorcyclist
  - b. speed up and sound your horn to alert the motorcyclist
  - c. wait to be sure the motorcyclist is going to turn \*
- 10. You may not expect to see a motorcyclist on the roadway, therefore:
  - a. you need to constantly search for motorcyclists\*
  - b. you do not need to search for motorcyclists
  - c. motorcyclists always have the right-of-way
- 11. When being passed by a motorcyclist, you should:
  - a. speed up
  - b. maintain your speed\*
  - c. move to the right
- 12. Advanced Driver-Assistance Systems (ADAS) safety features:
  - a. always detect motorcycles
  - b. may not detect motorcycles\*
  - c. never detect motorcycles

## **Motorcyclist Knowledge Test Questions for Driver Education**

- 1. Before proceeding through or turning at an intersection, to ensure you see motorcyclists, you should:
  - a. speed up to get through the intersection to avoid motorcyclists
  - b. search for all roadway users including motorcyclists\*
  - c. honk your horn to warn other roadway users and motorcyclists
- 2. You may fail to detect a motorcyclist in traffic because:
  - a. of selective attention\*
  - b. they didn't use their horn
  - c. they are easy to see

Note: This question is incompatible with question #3.

- 3. Selective attention is when your:
  - a. brain gives higher priority to what you expect\*
  - b. attention is divided between multiple tasks
  - c. mind is more likely to see things that you don't expect

Note: This question is incompatible with question #2.

- 4. Motorcyclists are vulnerable road users because they:
  - a. drive fast on the roadway
  - b. are less likely to be injured in a crash
  - c. have very little protection\*

Note: This question is incompatible with question #5.

- 5. Which of the following is a vulnerable road user?
  - a. car driver
  - b. large truck driver
  - c. motorcyclist\*

Note: This question is incompatible with question #4.

- 6. Which of the following is true regarding motorcyclists? They:
  - a. should be followed at a greater distance\*
  - b. are small and can be easily seen by drivers
  - c. can avoid crashes easier than car drivers

- 7. The majority of motorcyclist fatal crashes:
  - a. occur with another motor vehicle\*
  - b. only occur when the rider is impaired
  - c. happen when struck from the rear
- 8. Motorcyclists:
  - a. are more difficult to see in traffic\*
  - b. must share a lane with another vehicle
  - c. are easier to see in traffic
- 9. When passing a motorcyclist, you should:
  - a. check your mirrors and blind spots\*
  - b. drive close to the motorcyclist
  - c. share the lane with the motorcyclist
- 10. When turning left, what should you do to prevent crashing into a motorcyclist?
  - a. look left, look right, continue scanning, anticipate motorcyclists and proceed slowly\*
  - b. slow down and sound your horn to alert the motorcyclist of your presence
  - c. make eye contact, then accelerate quickly through the intersection to avoid motorcyclists
- 11. What increases your ability to see a motorcyclist?
  - a. selected attention
  - b. thoroughly searching traffic\*
  - c. following closer

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