

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR TRAFFIC

Written Examination for the Registration of Assistant Driving Instructors - 2026

In accordance with the Part II of the *Extraordinary Gazette* Notification No. 1939/4 and dated 02.11.2015, Applications are invited from the Sri Lankan citizens who **have following qualifications** up to the date of 21.08.2026 for the written examination for the registration of Assistant Driving Instructors of the Department of Motor Traffic. This examination will be held in September 2026 in Colombo.

01. Qualifications :

The following qualifications must be fulfilled by all the applicants on the last date of receiving applications:-

- i. The applicant should be a citizen of Sri Lanka:-
- ii. Should be not less than 23 years and not more than 65 years. (Accordingly, only those who fall their date of birth on or before 21.08.2003 and on or after 21.08.1961 are qualified to apply for this.) ;
- iii. Should have passed the examination qualified for the Grade Eight or qualification equivalent thereto.
- iv. Should have a 03-year experience as an employee of the driving school. Should be produced documentary evidence of which included Employee Provident Fund Number (EPF) and the Employee Trust Fund Number (ETF);
- v. The applicant must be in possession of a valid driving license obtained at least five years prior for the vehicle classes corresponding to the Assistant instructor category applied for
 - An applicant holding a valid driving license for the vehicle classes of Motor Car/Dual Purpose Vehicle (B), Motor Tricycle/ Motor Tricycle (B1) and Motorcycle (A).
 - For the Vehicle classes for Motor Car/ Dual purpose Vehicle (B),
or
 - For the Classes of Motor Tricycle/ Motor Tricycle (B1) and Motorcycle (A), is eligible to apply for an Assistant Instructor license.
- vi. Must confirm that he is medically fit to drive and train in driving in the relevant vehicle classes by a medical certificate issued by the National Transport Medical Institute or any other medical officer authorized by the Commissioner General;

- vii. He or she should not be an employee of a Government or Semi-Government institution or any other such institution, except for a person engaged in training.

02. Method of Examination :

- i. This examination will be conducted in Sinhala, Tamil or English medium.
- ii. All the question papers must be answered in one language only. No change in the language medium initially requested will be permitted.

03. Subjects related to the Examination and written Examination :

This examination consists of a two - part question paper on motor vehicle Transport Management:

Question Paper		Time duration	Total Marks	Pass marks
1.	Motor Vehicle Transport Management I	02 hours	100	40
2.	Motor Vehicle Transport Management II	02 hours	100	40

04. Syllabus :

Both these papers contain questions on the Motor Vehicle Act, Code of Road Traffic Law guidelines, Teaching and Instructing methods, Safe driving, Ethics, First Aids, Industrial and Technical knowledge, and Road Safety.

05. Method of Selection :

Candidates who have secured 40% or more marks in the written examination with a minimum of 40 marks in each subject will be called for an interview and their certificates and qualifications will be checked. Candidates selected from the interview will be subjected to a practical test on providing driver training and instruction and training. Candidates selected from this test will be required to attend a driving instructor course and upon successful completion of the course, a driving instructor license will be issued.

Applicants must pay the prescribed fees for the driving instructor course.

06. Release of results :

All candidates who appeared for the examination will be informed of the results by post or will be published on the website www.slida.lk of Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration.

07. Method of Application :

- (a) Application should be prepared in accordance with the sample application form attached to this notice and should be prepared on a measuring 8.27" x 11.69" (A4) using both sides of the paper and filled in by the candidate himself. When preparing the application form, the name of the examination mentioned in the title should be mentioned in English in addition to Sinhala in Sinhala applications and in English in addition to Tamil in Tamil applications. Furthermore, the application forms prepared in such a way that the Heading Nos. from 01 to 07 of the sample application form should be on the first page and the rest on the second page.
- (b) The application form must be in the language in which the candidate intends to appear for the examination.
- (c) The completed application form for the examination should be sent by registered post to **the Commissioner General of Motor Traffic, Establishments Division, Department of Motor Traffic, Elvitigala Mawatha, Colombo 05**, so as to reach it on or before 21.08.2026. The words "Written Examination for the Recruitment of Assistant Driving Instructors - 2026" should be clearly written on the top left corner of the envelope containing the application form. No application received after this date will be accepted.
- (d) The examination fee is Rs. 3,000/-. The said fee should be paid to any of the Post Office / District / Divisional Secretariat Office in the Island so as to be credited to the Government revenue under the Revenue Head of the Commissioner General of Motor Traffic 20-03-02-14 and the receipt obtained in the name of the applicant should be affixed in one of its edges at the designated place on the application form. Money orders or stamps will not be accepted as examination fees and the fee paid for the examination will not be refunded or transferred to another examination for any

reason. It would be useful for the applicants to keep a photocopy of the receipt with them.

- (e) The candidate's signature on the application form must be attested by a Principal of a Government College, a Justice of the Peace, a Commissioner for Oaths, a Lawyer, a Notary Public, an authorized officer of the Tri-Forces, an officer holding a *Gazetted* post in the Police Service or a Grama Niladhari or a staff officer holding a permanent post in the Government.
- (f) Applications which are incomplete in all respect will be rejected. No complaint regarding loss or delay in posting of application will be considered. The receipt of the application will not be notified.
- (g) The Director, Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration will issue admission cards to the candidates who have submitted their applications. If a candidate has not received his / her admission card at least five days before the date of the examination, he/she should make inquiries about it from the Director, Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration. In making such inquiries, the name of the examination for which he/she has applied, the full name of the candidate, National Identity Card number and address should be mentioned correctly. While making such inquiries, it will be useful to keep ready a copy of the application form, a copy of the receipt for payment of the examination fee and the registered receipt for mailing the applications in order to confirm any information sought by the Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration.

08. Candidate's Identity :

Candidates must prove their identity to the satisfaction of the invigilator for each subject they appear for in the examination hall. Any of the following documents will

be accepted for this purpose :-

- I. National Identity Card;
- II. Valid passport;
- III. Valid Sri Lankan driving license.

Candidates must also enter the examination hall without covering their faces and ears so that their identity can be verified. Candidates who refuse to verify their identity will not be admitted to the examination hall. Furthermore, candidates must remain without covering their faces and ears from the moment they enter the examination hall until the examination is concluded and they leave.

09. Provision of false Information :

If a candidate is found to be ineligible, his candidature may be cancelled at any time before, during or after the examination. If it is found that any information furnished by a candidate is false or misleading, or if any material fact is intentionally suppressed, he may not be issued a driving instructor's license. The final decision on matters not covered by these regulations shall be taken by the Commissioner General of Motor Traffic.

- 10.** In the event of any inconsistency in the publication of this advertisement in each language, which is published in Sinhala, Tamil and English media, the advertisement published in Sinhala media shall prevail.

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Commissioner General of Motor
Traffic (Acting).

On the date of 24.07.2026,
Department of Motor Traffic,
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