**Learner’s Permit Study Guide #6**

**Driving Emergencies**

Hands on the steering wheel should be at the 9 o’clock and 3 o’clock positions OR the 8 o’clock or 4 o’clock.

**ABS = Anti-lock Break System**

* If you have ABS, you need to press the brake and hold it on…do NOT pump the break.
* If you do NOT have ABS, you need to pump the brake repeatedly to avoid a skid.

**If your car starts to skid**

* Steer in the direction of the skid (if the REAR of your vehicle skids to the left, steer to the left) Steer INTO the skid.
* Do NOT use your brakes, take your foot off the gas, but do not brake.

**Emergency Car Problems**

Accelerator sticks

* Tap the pedal a few times to see if it releases
* Shift to neutral and use the brakes
* Steer and pull of the road as it slows down.

Brake fails

* Shift to low gear
* Pump the brake quickly to see if it will work
* Use the parking brake if pumping the brake does not work.

A Tire Blowout

* Hold the steering wheel tightly
* Stay off the brake!
* Slowly take foot of gas pedal
* Steer where you need to go.

**When you drift off of the road (onto the shoulder)**

* To get back onto the road, take your foot off of the gas pedal.
* Do NOT brake suddenly
* Hold onto steering wheel and do NOT jerk back onto the road
* Slow down
* Continue to slowly steer back onto the road

**CRASHES**

* You MUST call the police if anyone is hurt or dies of if the car needs to be towed.
* If involved in an accident with another driver, you should get the following information from them:

1. Name and Address
2. Phone Number
3. Registration
4. Insurance information

**If You are Stopped by the Police**

* Use your turn signal and drive until you can safely stop
* Turn your inside light on
* Do not move
* Place your hands on the steering wheel
* Remain in your vehicle until the police comes to you
* Keep your seatbelt fastened

**It is ILLEGAL to drive without insurance.**