

INFORMATION SHEET

Exemptions

1. Night driving exemptions

If you have a P1 provisional licence, and you're under 25, you can drive between midnight and 5am only if you satisfy one of these conditions:

- You have a qualified supervising driver sitting next to you.
- You're driving between home and work, or because it's part of your job.
- You're driving between home and your place of study, or because it's part of your study. This applies to school, TAFE, university, an apprenticeship or other formal training.
- You're driving between home and a place you're doing formal volunteer work, or because it's part of your volunteer work.
- You're driving to participate in (or go home after participating in) an organised sports, artistic, charitable, religious or scientific activity.
- You work for the police, or an emergency service, and you're on-duty.

These are examples that would be allowed:

- A nurse working night shift who's driving to or from work.
- A plumber driving to or from an after hours emergency.
- A hospitality student driving to or from a restaurant or club where they're completing a practical part of their hospitality course.

In all cases, the driver must be taking the most direct route home.

These are examples that wouldn't be allowed:

- A footballer who finishes a game at 7pm, socialises at the clubrooms afterwards, and then drives home at 1pm. *There was no requirement to stay at the clubrooms until after midnight.*
- A shift worker who finishes a shift at 9pm, visits friends afterwards, and drives home at 12:30am. *Visiting friends was not a requirement of work.*
- A person who volunteers to collect shopping for a family member or friend, and chooses to deliver it after midnight. *This is not formal volunteer work.*

For full details on night driving exemptions go to mylicence.sa.gov.au/gls/exemptions.

2. Passenger exemptions

If you have a P1 provisional licence, and you're under 25, you can have more than one passenger aged 16-20 only if you satisfy one of these conditions:

- You have a qualified supervising driver sitting next to you.
- You're required to have passengers as part of your job.
- You work for the police, or an emergency service, and you're on-duty.

These are examples that would be allowed:

- A social worker who has to carry multiple passengers aged 16 to 20 as part of their job.
- A tourism worker who has to drive tourists aged 16 to 20 from the airport to their accommodation.

These are examples that wouldn't be allowed:

- A student who wants to take two other students aged 16 to 20 to trade school. *This is not job related.*
- A netball player who wants to take three other team members aged 16 to 20 to netball training. *This is not a job requirement.*

For more information on passenger exemptions go to mylicence.sa.gov.au/gls/exemptions.

3. High powered vehicles exemptions

If you have a P1 or P2 provisional licence, and you're under 25, you can drive a high powered vehicle only if you've applied for and been given an exemption.

Exemptions are given only when you can show a genuine need to drive a high powered vehicle. This will normally be because you have to drive a high powered vehicle at work.

For more information on high powered vehicle exemptions, and an application form, go to mylicence.sa.gov.au/safe-driving-tips/high-powered-vehicles.