

CheatSheet: Living In Canifornia

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Living In USA CheatSheet: <https://github.com/dennyzhang/cheatsheet-living-in-ca>

1.1 Move from another state to CA: update your vehicle information

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/dmv/vr/>

https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/online/vrir/vr_sb1500anu

1.1.1 Register Your Vehicle in California

A **nonresident vehicle** is a vehicle last registered in another state or country.

| Form | Summary |
|--|-------------------------|
| reg343 form: Application for Title or Registration REG 343 | |
| reg31 form: Verification of Vehicle (REG 31) form | Need to be filed by DMV |

https://raw.githubusercontent.com/dennyzhang/cheatsheet-living-in-ca/master/register_vehicle.png

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/brochures/howto/htvr09#feesdue>

<https://www.dmv.org/ca-california/car-registration.php>

<https://www.dmv.org/ca-california/new-to-california.php>

1.1.2 Get a new license plate

https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/vr/vr_info

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/dennyzhang/cheatsheet-living-in-ca/master/substitute-plates.png>

1.1.3 Report a change of address to DMV within 10 days of the change

https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/vr/vr_info

1.2 Prepare for California DMV Driver License Written Tests

- Appointments can be made at www.dmv.ca.gov or by calling 1-800-777-0133

| Name | Comment |
|--|---|
| Sample Class C Written Tests from DMV | Test1, Test2, Test3, Test4, Test5 |
| FREE DMV Practice Test for California Permit 2018 | link: driving-tests.org |
| California DMV Marathon Practice Test(150 Questions) | link: driving-tests.org |
| California Driver Handbook | link: dmv pdf |

- Limits & Fining

| Name | Summary |
|--------------------------|--|
| The fine of littering | \$1,000, in addition, you may be required to pick up what littered |
| Change lanes on freeway | You should signal for at least 5 seconds |
| Tailgating | To avoid tailgating, leave 3 second of space between you and the vehicle in front of you |
| Enter school zones | Within 500-1000 feet of a school, the speed limit is 25 mph while children are outside |
| Make changes | To avoid last-minute moves, look down the road 10-15 seconds |
| park near fire hydrant | You can't part within 15 feet of a fire hydrant |
| Park near railroad track | You must not park within 7.5 feet of a railroad track |
| drive close to cicyclist | You must ensure there is more than 3 feet width for cyclist |
| Turn a corner | You should signal for at least 100 feet. |
| Follow emergency vehicle | You must not follow within 400 feet of any emergency vehicle with a siren or flashing lights |
| Use center lane | While driving in a center left-turn lane, you may only drive for 200 feet. |

- Parking at colored curbs

| Name | Summary |
|------------|---|
| White curb | Stop only long enough to pick up or drop off passengers or mail. |
| Green | Park for a limited time. Look for a posted sign next to the green zone for time limits. |
| Yellow | Stop no longer than the time posted to load or unload passengers or freight. |
| Red | No stopping, standing, or parking. (Buses may stop at a red zone marked for buses.) |
| Blue | Parking for disabled people only |

- Terminology

| Name | Summary |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Skid | automobiles slip relative to the road link: wikipedia |
| California "Basic Speed Law" | You must never driver faster than what is safe in current conditions |
| Turnout area | You may pull to the side in these areas and allow cars behind you to pass. link |
| a flashing yellow traffic signal | No need to stop, but slow down and alerted before entering intersection |
| a flashing red traffic signal | Treat like a STOP sign. stop, yield and only proceed when it's safe |
| a nighttime reflector | It shows where the road lies |
| hand-over-hand steering | used when turning at low speeds, parking or recovering from a skid |
| one-hand steering | You can use when you're backing up without much turning |
| three-point turn | standard method of turning vehicles around to face the opposite direction in a limited spa |
| DUI probation | |
| NEV | neighborhood electric vehicles |
| LSV | Low speed vehicles |
| HOV lane(High-Occupancy Vehicle) | Designed for buses, motorcycles, certain low-emission vehicles and 2+ passengers |

- Misc

| Name | Summary |
|----------------------------|---|
| Traffic lights not working | You need to come to a complete stop first |
| Use horn | You may tap horn to try to make eye contact with another driver |

hand-over-hand-steering: <https://raw.githubusercontent.com/dennyzhang/cheatsheet-living-in-ca/master/hand-over-hand-steering.jpg>

one-hand-steering: <https://raw.githubusercontent.com/dennyzhang/cheatsheet-living-in-ca/master/one-hand-steering.jpg>

three-point-turn: <https://raw.githubusercontent.com/dennyzhang/cheatsheet-living-in-ca/master/three-point-turn.png>

cone-zone: <https://raw.githubusercontent.com/dennyzhang/cheatsheet-living-in-ca/master/cone-zone.png>

signal-hands: <https://raw.githubusercontent.com/dennyzhang/cheatsheet-living-in-ca/master/signal-hands.png>

1.2.1 Driver License

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/dmv/dl>

https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/brochures/fast_facts/ffdl05

https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/wcm/connect/a34dbefd-c615-4c07-a271-b135850de9d1/Residency_DocsList.pdf?MOD=AJPERES

https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/brochures/fast_facts/ffdl07

1.2.2 Interesting Questions

3. You have been involved in a minor traffic collision with a parked vehicle and you can't find the owner. Yo

Leave a note on the vehicle.

Report the accident without delay to the city police or, in unincorporated areas, to the CHP.

Both of the above.

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/interactive/tdrive/clc3written?lang=en>

2. You must notify the DMV within 5 days if you:

Sell or transfer your vehicle.

Fail a smog test for your vehicle.

Get a new prescription for lenses or contacts.

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/interactive/tdrive/clc4written?lang=en>

6. It is illegal to park your vehicle:

In an unmarked crosswalk.

Within three feet of a private driveway.

In a bicycle lane.

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/interactive/tdrive/clc4written?lang=en>

3. You are driving on a freeway posted for 65 mph. Most of the other vehicles are driving 70 mph or faster. You

70 mph or faster to keep up with the speed of traffic.

Between 65 mph and 70 mph.

No faster than 65 mph.

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/interactive/tdrive/clc5written?lang=en>

5. Which of these vehicles must always stop before crossing railroad tracks?

Tank trucks marked with hazardous materials placards.

Motor homes or pickup trucks towing a boat trailer.

Any vehicle with 3 or more axles or weighing more than 4,000 pounds.

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/interactive/tdrive/clc5written?lang=en>

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1.3 Replacing a Lost Title in Texas

<https://www.txdmv.gov/motorists/buying-or-selling-a-vehicle/get-a-copy-of-your-title>

Here are the steps to applying for a certified copy of title by mail:

Complete Form VTR-34, Application for a Certified Copy of Title.

VTR-34 Application for a Certified Copy of Title

Enclose a copy of the owner's valid photo ID and \$2 mail-in fee by check, cashier's check or money order payable to the state.

Mail the application to:

TxDmv

1601 Southwest Parkway, Suite A

Wichita Falls, TX 76302

1.4 Shell gas station with discount applied

1. Pay by cash

2. Use shell mobile app and input member card number

1.5 Auto maintenance

1.5.1 Dean's Automotive

<https://www.google.com.hk/search?q=Dean%27s+Automotive>

2037 Old Middlefield Way, Mountain View, CA 94043 deansautomotive.com (650) 961-0302

1.6 Program new chip key for your vehicle

1. Place order in amazon, which fits your model
2. Go to homedepo to cut the key
3. Program the key by yourself

amazon link: OEM Toyota "H" Chip Transponder Key (P/N: 89785-0D140, 89785-0D170), \$23.83

amazon link: Price: \$39.00

Youtube link: how to program new chip key for your toyota:

1.7 US govemement documents

| Name | Summary |
|-----------|---|
| I-94 form | https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/ |

2 More Resources

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<https://www.quora.com/Whats-involved-in-moving-from-one-state-to-another-in-the-US>

What's involved in moving from one state to another in the US? - Quora

<https://www.dmv.org/moving-relocation-checklist.php?from=77007&to=94043&date=2018-06-04&ownership=rent>
Moving Checklist | DMV.ORG

<https://www.dmvcheatsheets.com/articles/i-just-moved-to-california-how-do-i-get-my-california-license-and-my-vehicle-registered/> -- DMVCheatSheets.
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