English Speaking Driving Exam Maarten Van Beneden 03/12/2017

Theoretical:

You still need to answer 50 questions and need at least 41/50 to pass. The one change made to the theoretical exam is that there now is a difference between major and minor violations. Major violations will cost you five points instead of one. Major violations are violations of the third and fourth degree and going above the maximum speed.

Practical:

Before 01/10 you only needed to have three months of driving experience between your theoretical and practical exam. Now you need nine months. Mentors have to take a three hour course with a recognised driving school before they are allowed to teach someone to drive. The course is valid for ten years.

During your practical exam there are six possible manoeuvres. Turning in a small street, driving backwards in a straight line and parking. Parking is divided into four manoeuvres: parking parallel to the road between two vehicles on the right side of the road, parking parallel to the road between two vehicles on the left side of the road, parking perpendicular to the road forward and parking perpendicular to the road backwards. You need to do two of the six manoeuvres.

You will also be tested on your ability to drive on your own. You will need to drive to a destination that will be determined beforehand. You can choose whether you want to drive there with a GPS or by looking at the signs on the road.

There is one new addition to the practical exam. You will need to take the “GOCA-Risk Perception Test”. In this test you will look at five short clips of someone driving. At the end you will need to choose what you saw from a list of four possible answers. There are between one and three correct answers. Every correct answer will give you one point, every wrong answer will lose you one point and every correct answer you didn’t choose will give you zero points. You need 6/10 to pass.