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State	Age-Related Restrictions	Length of License (Years)	Renewal Conditions (in person, mail, internet)	Physical Testing	Vision Testing	Visual Requirements	Mental Testing
VT	None	2 for 16 and 17, 4 for 18+	In person or by mail	Only for original	Only for original	20/40, peripheral requires that eyes must be able to look left and right at nose	At discretion of examiner or if note sent in from doctor or police officer
VA	None	5, expiring at age evenly divisible by 5	In person, mail, phone, fax, or internet; but every 10 years must take vision test	Only for original	For renewal, but waived for mail, phone, fax, or internet renewal	20/40 in one or both eyes, or 20/70 if restricted to daylight, 100 degrees peripheral in one or both eyes, or 70 degrees if restricted to daylight	Only if notified by doctor which is not required by the Commonwealth
WA*	None	4 until 7/1/00, then 5	In person	Vision for renewal; re-examination may be required based on physical or mental condition		20/40, unknown peripheral	Mental condition may merit re-examination
WV	None	Until age 21, 5 for 21+; changing over to years divisible by 5	In person only	Only for original	Only for original and out-of-state transfer	20/40, no peripheral	None
WI	None	Initial license 2 years, 8 for regular renewals	In person only	Only for original; sign and vision for person who holds valid out-of-state license		20/40, 20 degrees from center in at least one eye peripheral	Only if recommended for special road test (by doctor or vision test specialist or police officer)

WY	None	4	By mail if no suspensions within previous 4-year period and if last renewal was in person; else in person	For original, though road test may be waived on completion of driver education course; vision and skills test once in 8-year period at discretion of examiner for renewal	With regular interval; also with mail-in	20/40, 120 degrees peripheral	At discretion of examiner
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* Indicates incomplete information.

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