

# EXEMPTION FROM THE MINIMUM CAR LEARNER PERIOD

Form Number: MR160 04/21

# Guidelines & Application Form

## What is the exemption to the minimum car Learner Period?

Your novice car learner licence is issued with a minimum continuous period before you can undertake the P1 driving assessment.

This period is to encourage you to get as much supervised practice and experience as possible before driving solo. Evidence shows the first 6 to 12 months as a P1 licence holder is when you are most likely to be in a crash.

However, it is recognised that there are circumstances where you need to progress to your P1 licence sooner. So in some exceptional circumstances you may be able to satisfy the Registrar of Motor Vehicles that you are entitled to an exemption of up to 3 months.

## You must meet **all** of the eligibility criteria below, to be granted an exemption:

- hold a current novice car, L1, or L2 learner licence (not a motorcycle learner)
- have held your novice learner or L1 licence for at least 9 months, or your L2 licence for 6 months.
- be 17 years or older
- have logged at least the minimum required hours in your logbook
- have no other means of transportation available to you, this also includes public transport
- have no periods of disqualifications or suspensions (excluding MPES suspensions)
- meet at least one of the criteria below;
  - you will lose your current employment, or will be unable start a position that has been offered to you
  - you or your dependent will be unable to get regular medical attention needed as a result of a long term medical illness
  - you or your dependent have no means of getting to a Jobstart training course, college, TAFE, university or recognised training institution, or a child care facility

## How to apply –

**Step 1** Before making an application you must meet all the eligibility criteria above

**Step 2** complete and sign the application form and provide supporting evidence (see application form for more information)

**Step 3** Lodge your application by either:

- Online – complete the online form and attach your completed application, and scanned copies of photographs of your supporting documentation at:  
[www.transport.tas.gov.au/licensing/exemptions/provisional\\_licence\\_exemptions](http://www.transport.tas.gov.au/licensing/exemptions/provisional_licence_exemptions)
- Service Tasmania – take your completed application form, supporting documentation to any Service Tasmania shop.

**Step 4** An officer from Driver Assessment will advise you in writing of the outcome of your application

### If Your Application is approved

- You will be sent a letter or email advising you that you may book your driving assessment with either a Government Driving Assessor or a P1 Approved Driving Assessor.
- You will need to take your approval letter/email to your driving assessment.

**You must not book a driving assessment until you receive an approval letter/email.**

# APPLICATION FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM THE MINIMUM CAR LEARNER PERIOD

## Service Tasmania Use Only

Supporting documentation (attached)

If scanning application, please return the scanned application to the applicant to retain for their records. DSG does not require a hard copy if scanned.

Surname (Family Name)		
Given Names		
Residential Address		
Postal Address (if different from above)		
Email address		
Daytime phone number	Date of Birth	Licence Number

I am applying for an exemption from the novice car learner period because I need a provisional licence for the following reason: **(please tick):**

**I will lose my current employment or be unable to start a position that has been offered to me:**  
You need to attach a letter from your employer to your application stating:

- Their name and the business at which you are employed, or you will be employed
- The date on which you commenced/will commence employment
- Why you will lose your employment if you do not get your provisional licence
- If relevant, why you need a car provisional licence to perform your duties of employment
- The letter must contain letterhead with the company logo, or the ABN.

**I or my dependant will be unable to get the regular medical attention needed:**  
You need to attach a letter from your doctor or your dependant's doctor to the application stating:

- Your name and your dependant's name
- The date on which you or your dependant was diagnosed with the medical illness
- You or your dependant requires regular medical treatment at relevant intervals
- The estimated date on which you or your dependants medical treatment will be completed
- The letter must contain letterhead with the medical practice's logo, or provider number.

**I my dependent have no means of getting to a Jobstart training course, college, TAFE, university, recognised training institution, or childcare facility:**

You need to attach a letter or statement of enrolment that shows that you or your dependant are enrolled at a course or an education facility stating:

- The course, education or childcare facility that you or your dependan are enrolled at
- The location of the course or facility
- When you or your dependant commenced at the course or facility
- The letter must contain letterhead with the company logo, or the ABN.

**Provide a detailed explanation as to why the exemption is sought in the box below including:**

- How you have previously transported yourself or your dependent
- Why that means of transport is no longer available
- Why there are no other means of transport available to you or your dependent
- Any other information that is relevant to why you need the exemption

**Provide a detailed explanation as to why the exemption is sought: (MUST BE COMPLETED)**

Attach additional pages if insufficient space.

**Signature and Declaration**

I, (full name) \_\_\_\_\_ with driver licence number \_\_\_\_\_

of address \_\_\_\_\_

certify that I have completed the minimum number of supervised driving hours

Declare that the information I have provided on this application is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
(ensure you have ticked the reason for exemption (page 1 or 2)

Signature of applicant:

Date: