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Demerit Point Sanctions (3395)

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Demerit Points System

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Sanctions

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Sanction Types

- ▶ Good Driving Behaviour (GDB) period of 1 year
- ▼ Suspension for the requisite period

The requisite suspension period will depend on the type of licence held and the number of points accumulated during the specified period.

Open Licence	
Demerit Points	Requisite Suspension Period
12 to 15	3 months
16 to 19	4 months
20 or more	5 months
Learner, P/P1/P2 Type Licence	
Demerit Points	Requisite Suspension Period
4 or more	3 months

During the suspension period, the licence is invalid.

A Demerit point suspension can be served concurrently with the HSS.

- ▶ Ineligible to hold a Qld licence

Sanction Start Dates - Qld licence/unlicensed
([/app/answers/answer_view/a_id/1014396](#)).

Notices

- ▶ Written Notices
- ▶ Returned Notices
- ▶ Re-Issue of Returned Notices

Notifying TMR

- ▶ Notice of Acc. of Demerit Points - No record of driver licence (F4006)
- ▶ Accumulation of Demerit Points - Notice to Choose (F4011)

Request to Reissue Notice to Choose ([/cc/answerLocation/get/1022656](#))
([/app/answers/answer_view/a_id/1012921](#)).

- ▶ Notice of Acc. of Demerit Points during a GDB Period (F4008)
- ▶ Notice of Acc. of Demerit Points while the holder of a SHO (F4374)
- ▶ Accumulation of Demerit Points Notice of Driver Licence Suspension (F4943)
- ▶ Notice of Driver Licence Suspension for Speeding Offence (F4105)

Recognising a
Prior

A prior suspension period may be recognised if:

Suspension
Period

- a)** Multiple sanction notices have been incorrectly issued as a result of departmental or other agency error, **or**
- b)** The customer received a sanction notice prior to a mail sanction being recorded, **or**
- c)** The customer was sent a suspension notice which was returned unclaimed after the suspension commenced. During the suspension, the customer was charged with unlicensed driving and had their licence disqualified, **or**
- d)** An infringement has been waived and reissued which generated a new sanction start date. The new sanction notice must be for the same offences (as the original notice) and does not include any additional offences. The suspension period that the customer has already served can be recognised. If additional offences are on the sanction notice, you need to seek further advice from Help Direct.

And the eligibility assessment criteria has been met.

Note:	If the customer was charged with unlicensed driving during the prior suspension period, they are not required to show proof that they were aware of the suspension period prior to it commencing.
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► Eligibility Assessment Criteria

SHO

[Special Hardship Order \(/app/answers/answer_view/a_id/1013675\)](/app/answers/answer_view/a_id/1013675)

Variation to
SHO

[Variation to Special Hardship Order \(/app/answers/answer_view/a_id/1013675\)](/app/answers/answer_view/a_id/1013675)

N/R

Released under RTI - DTMR

Accumulation of Demerit Points Notice to Choose

Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995



Queensland
Government

Department of
Transport and Main Roads

Locked Mail Bag 4100
Fortitude Valley Qld 4006
Telephone: 13 23 80*

Customer Reference Number: 123456789

Notice Number: XXXXXX

12 September 2010

Important Information

You have accumulated 12 demerit points against your traffic history through traffic offences committed during a continuous period of 3 year/s.

Details of each demerit point offence and the number of demerit points allocated for each offence are shown overleaf.

You are now required to choose one of the following options and notify the Department of Transport and Main Roads (the department) of your choice on or before your choice date. There is no opportunity for you to appeal this requirement.

Your choice date is

Option 1 – The suspension of your driver licence for a period of X months

You cannot drive during the period of your licence suspension. You are not required to hand in your driver licence. At the end of your licence suspension period if your driver licence has not expired, it will be automatically reinstated. However, if your driver licence is expired, cancelled or suspended for any reason, such as a court disqualification or suspension for a speeding offence or unpaid fines, it will not be reinstated and you must not drive. If your driver licence has expired, you must renew it before you drive.

Option 2 – A good driving behaviour (GDB) period for one year

You may continue driving on your current driver licence, however you must be of good driving behaviour for one year. If you accumulate two or more demerit points during your GDB period, your driver licence will be suspended for double the suspension period stated in Option 1 above.

To be eligible to choose a GDB period you must hold a valid driver licence. That is, your driver licence must not be expired, cancelled or suspended for any reason, such as a licence suspension for a speeding offence or unpaid fines and you must not be disqualified by order of an Australian court from holding or obtaining a driver licence. **You will not be able to choose a GDB period if you do not hold a valid driver licence.**

Your choice of option

You must notify the department of your chosen option and the start date, on or before your choice date. Consider your options carefully as once you notify the department, and your licence suspension period or GDB period is accepted, it is final and cannot be changed.

You may elect for your option to start prior to your choice date, however the start date cannot be before the current date or after your choice date. If you choose a future start date your eligibility for your chosen option will also be validated on that date. For example, if you choose a GDB period to start one week from the current date, your driver licence must be valid on that date.

If you fail to notify the department of your choice on or before your choice date, your driver licence will be suspended from the day after your choice date.

Notify Demerit Point Enforcement Choice

You can notify your choice using the department's online services (Notify Demerit Point Enforcement Choice) at www.tmr.qld.gov.au. To use this service you will need your Notice Number, located at the top left corner on this page. Please note online services may not always be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

You can also notify your choice in person. You will need to complete the enclosed *Notification of Driver Licence Enforcement Option – In Person Nomination* and present it along with this notice at a Department of Transport and Main Roads customer service centre. Please go to www.tmr.qld.gov.au for a full list of customer service centres.

Continued overleaf...

*Check with your service provider for call costs.

LTSR Forms Area Form F4011 V01 Jun 2024

Details of offence/s

Date	Offence recorded	Demerit points	Finalised

What happens if my licence expires or is surrendered?

You are not eligible to get or hold a Queensland driver licence or drive in Queensland using a non-Queensland licence during the licence suspension period.

What happens if you drive while your driver licence is suspended?

If you are found driving during the licence suspension period, you will be charged with unlicensed driving and you will be required to appear in court. If the charge is proven, the court will disqualify you from holding or obtaining a driver licence for six months and may impose a fine of more than \$4700, or one year imprisonment.

What is the effect of a licence suspension?

If you are required to hold a class or type of driver licence for a required period before upgrading to another class or type of driver licence, any period that your driver licence is suspended will not count towards the required holding period. For example, to be eligible to upgrade to a class LR or MR licence, a provisional, probationary or open class C licence must be held for at least one year. You will not be eligible to upgrade your driver licence until you have served the required holding period.

Does a late night driving restriction (LNDR) apply to you?

If at the time you committed the offence that resulted in this notice you were under 25 and held a provisional or probationary licence, you will be required to comply with a LNDR for one year. This means you cannot drive between 11pm and 5am during the one year LNDR period.

If you choose a GDB period, your LNDR will start on the same day as your GDB. If your driver licence is suspended, your LNDR will start on the day after your licence suspension ends.

What happens if you have an industry authority?

If your driver licence is suspended any industry authority you hold (for example, driver authorisation for a taxi, tow truck driver certificate, dangerous goods licence, bus etc) is also suspended for the same period. Accordingly, you should not undertake your industry authority role while your driver licence is suspended. This does not apply to a tow truck assistant certificate or traffic controller accreditation.

What happens if you have committed a high-speed offence (driving more than 40km/h over the speed limit)?

If you have committed an offence of driving more than 40km/h over the speed limit your driver licence will be suspended for a period of six months. You will receive a separate notice about any high-speed suspensions via mail, including information about your suspension commencement date.

The options chosen on this Notice to Choose are separate from any high-speed suspension. Please note that choosing a GDB on this notice does not permit you to drive during the high-speed suspension period. If you choose the licence suspension option on this notice, your demerit point suspension will be served concurrently with the high-speed suspension.

Information on a State Penalties Enforcement Registry (SPER) suspension

SPER may suspend your driver licence if you have not paid any fine resulting from the issue of an infringement notice or a court conviction. This licence suspension will remain in force until the fine is paid or is otherwise finalised by you. Please contact SPER on 1300 365 635* for more information.

Sanctions (GDB/Suspension/Reissue/Reprint/View)

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Procedural Flowcharts	Reissue Returned Sanction Notice and Remove Mail Sanction
Procedures	<div><div>Notify Choice</div><div><div>Applies to</div><div>Customers who have been sent an:</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Accumulation of Demerit Points Notice to Choose (F4011)Courtesy Notice - Your Licence Option Choice (F4010)</div><div>will have the option to choose between a one year good driving behaviour (GDB) period or a requisite suspension period.</div><div>Customers who have been sent a:</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Notice of Driver Licence Suspension for Speeding Offence (F4105)Notice of Accumulation of Demerit Points during a Good Driving Behaviour Period (F4008)Notice of Accumulation of Demerit Points while the holder of a Special Hardship Order (F4374)Accumulation of Demerit Points Notice of Driver Licence Suspension (F4943)</div><div>will have the option to start their suspension period at an earlier date.</div></div><div><div>Before you Start</div><div>Check enforcement requirements: Enforcement Requirements</div><div>Check pending enforcements for High Speed Suspension (HSS)</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">if pending advise customer of the suspension start dateadvise customer that the option commencement date for the Demerit Point Suspension and the HSS can be made for the same date.</div><div>Check that the customer's nominated date is:</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">on or before the choice date (as specified on the notice)on or after the current date</div></div></div>

Check if there are any outstanding demerit points correspondence items that can be discussed. If there are outstanding demerit points correspondence items, determine if they will impact the customer's nominated choice and endeavour to finalise at the same time.

Where the customer has selected a GDB for a future date - advise the customer that for the nomination to be accepted it is their responsibility to ensure that they hold a valid licence on their nominated choice date. Failure to do so will result in a refusal of their choice which can lead to a suspension being applied on the **day after** the final choice date.

1 EOI

EOI is not required for submitting a choice notification.

2 Confirm eligibility for choice on nominated choice date

A customer is eligible to nominate a GDB if:

- The driver licence is valid at the time of nomination (current date); and
- The nominated date is on or before the choice date
- The nomination date is on or after the current date

Although eligible for a GDB if the HSS is pending advise customer that their licence will be suspended on date notified on the HSS notice.

If ineligible for a GDB advise the customer that they have up to the final choice date to obtain a valid driver licence and then re-nominate for a GDB. Failure to do so on or before the final choice date will result in a suspension being applied.

Note:

Learner Licence holders issued with an Accumulation of Demerit Points Notice of Driver Licence Suspension (F4943) are not eligible to nominate a GDB.

The customer cannot appeal the application of the suspension.

3 Demerit Points Notice Enforcement (TICA)

4 Give Customer

If current date choice either:

- *Notice of Confirmation of Choice Good Driving Behaviour (F4004)*
- *Notice of Confirmation of Choice Driver Licence Suspension (F4003)*

Or if for a future date choice:

- *Interim Notice - Confirmation of Notification Receipt (F4932)*

5 Advise Customer

If current date GDB is chosen

That the *Notice of Confirmation of Choice Good Driving Behaviour (F4004)* contains the dates of the GDB.

If a late night driving restriction (LNDR) applies (i.e. LNDR sanction on Driver Licence Hub)

That they cannot drive between the hours of 11pm and 5am from the commencement date of the GDB.

A Good Driving Behaviour Period and Late Night Driving Restriction - Confirmation Notice (F4452) will be sent to advise the restriction details.

For further info about LNDR **Refer:** *Driver Licence > 3. Enforcement > Late Night Driving Restriction*

If future date GDB is chosen

That the *Interim Notice - Confirmation of Notification Receipt (F4932)* contains the dates of the GDB and shows whether a late night driving restriction (LNDR) applies.

On their nominated future date, if their licence is valid, a *Notice of Confirmation of Choice Good Driving Behaviour (F4004)* will be sent to them and this notice will contain the dates of their GDB.

Advise the customer that if a late night driving restriction (LNDR) applies they cannot drive between the hours of 11pm on a day and 5am on the next day from the commencement date of their GDB.

A Good Driving Behaviour Period and Late Night Driving Restriction - Confirmation Notice (F4452) will also be sent to advise the restriction details.

For further info about LNDR **Refer:** *Driver Licence > 3. Enforcement > Late Night Driving Restriction*

If on the future date their licence is not valid, a *Refusal Notice - Good Driving Behaviour Period (F4931)* will be sent advising that a GDB cannot be applied at this time. This notice will further advise the customer that they have up to their final choice date to obtain a valid driver licence and then re-nominate for a GDB. Failure to do so on or before the final choice date will result in a suspension being applied.

If current date suspension is chosen

That the *Notice of Confirmation of Choice - Driver Licence Suspension (F4003)* contains the dates that the suspension commences and ends.

That the date on which they may resume driving as stated in the notice is only valid if no other suspensions/cancellations apply.

There is no need for the customer to return to TMR at the end of the suspension period provided their licence is still valid.

If a late night driving restriction (LNDR) applies (ie LNDR sanction on Driver Licence Hub)

That following the completion of the suspension, they cannot drive between the hours of 11pm and 5am the next day .

A Late Night Driving Restriction after Cancellation - Confirmation Notice (F4451) will be sent to advise the restriction details.

For further information about LNDR **Refer:** *Driver Licence > 3. Enforcement > Late Night Driving Restriction .*

If future date suspension is chosen

That the *Interim Notice - Confirmation of Notification Receipt* (F4932) contains the dates of the suspension period and shows whether a late night driving restriction (LNDR) applies.

That a *Notice of Confirmation of Choice - Driver Licence Suspension* (F4003) will be sent to them and this notice contains the dates that the suspension commences and ends.

That the date on which they may resume driving as stated in the notice is only valid if no other suspensions/cancellations apply.

There is no need for the customer to return to TMR at the end of the suspension period provided their licence is still valid.

If a late night driving restriction (LNDR) applies that following the completion of the suspension, they cannot drive between the hours of 11pm and 5am the next day .

A *Late Night Driving Restriction after Suspension - Confirmation Notice* (F4451) will also be sent to advise the restriction details.

For further information about LNDR **Refer:** *Driver Licence > 3. Enforcement > Late Night Driving Restriction*

6 [File Documents](#)

Double Suspension

Medical Suspension

Re-Issue Demerit Points/Speed Suspension Notice

Re-Issue Notice to Choose (Customer Request)

Re-Print Demerit Points/Speed Suspension Notice

List Driver Licence Sanction Correspondence History