



## DRIVING ASSESSMENT – INFORMATION SHEET (PRIVATE)

Navigating driving assessments can be confusing with the various number of requirements. As such, Territory Therapy Solutions have created a step-by-step guide to help all parties through the process.

### PRE-REFERALL

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We highly recommend the client obtains the below report prior to submitting a referral. Obtaining the report prior to referral will assist in triage and speed up the process. If a client is not cleared medically to drive, TTS will be unable to assist and we will therefore not proceed with the referral. TTS are unable to overturn loss of license for medical reasons.

- Medical Clearance (Form L2) from GP.
  - This form clears the client medically to drive.
  - Section 4 – to be completed. This is where the GP recommends the client obtain a driving assessment.
  - Copy available from the NT Government Motor Vehicle Registry website.

Other required information:

- Does the client have a current drivers license?
- Is the license under suspension?
- Will the client require vehicle modifications?

Note: The client may be required to pay a fee directly to a third-party instructor for the on-road assessment. This will be discussed with the client during the off-road assessment.

### REFERRAL

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Complete our referral form online at

<http://www.territorytherapysolutions.com.au/referral/>

- Driving Assessment comes under the Driving Assessment section. Do not use the Occupational Therapy section.
- Select the relevant service/s. See Services for further information.
  - Return to Driving Injury or Illness
  - Vehicle Modification
- Advise of the below
  - Does the client Have a current driver's license?
  - Has the client Obtained Medical clearance from GP? – please upload report
  - Is the license under suspension? Please advise reason why under Additional Info.
  - Does the client require Vehicle Modifications? – please advise what modifications will be required under Additional Info.
- Provide any additional information such as a recent optometrist's report which will assist our therapists during triage or assessment.

### TRIAGE

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During triage, our driver trained occupational therapist shall review the referral and any documents/reports provided. If the Medical Clearance Form (Form L2) has not been received the referral will more than likely be placed on hold until it has been received, delaying the process.

After review of referral, TTS shall advise if we are accepting or declining the referral. If we accept, we shall contact you to advise of the approx. costing (refer to our Price List below). If agreeable, the client shall be placed on our waitlist until services are ready to commence.

The initial costing will cover the assessments, admin/liaison, report writing, travel and lessons (practical) as deemed required based on the referral. Information provided after the referral may result in a new costing.

### **AFTER INITIAL ASSESSMENT**

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Our driver trained occupational therapist will provide a report which may recommend the below:

- That MVR re-instate the license.
- That MVR do not re-instate the license.
- That lessons be undertaken (theory and/or practical).
- Vehicle modifications.

**The report shall only be released upon payment.**

Important Note: The final decision to re-instate the client's license is with the MVR. A recommendation from TTS to re-instate the license does not guarantee as such.

### **LESSONS/ON-GOING SERVICES**

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#### **Lessons**

If lessons have been recommended, TTS are able to offer these to the client. Refer to the price list below.

#### **On-going Services**

Sometimes a client will require ongoing work (i.e. more complex than originally thought) and we realise that the initial costing will no longer cover the required work. If this is the case, we will advise.

### **SERVICES**

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TTS offer 2 different driving assessment services. Please advise during the referral process which one you are after. Failure to select a service, or contradicting information will result in the delay of services.

#### **Returning to Driving after Illness or Injury (minimum hours required 11hours)**

Includes initial off-road assessment by a driver trained OT and one/two on road driving assessments, report writing, and liaison activities with relevant authorised parties,

including driving instructor, medical specialists, GP, and Motor Vehicle Registry. Also includes one or two on road driving assessments with a qualified driving instructor.

Use this for:

- Clients who have had their license suspended – either medically or due to other reasons such as unpaid fines.
- Clients wishing to go from an automatic to a manual license.
- Clients wishing to obtain their motorbike, C Class license.
- Do not use for client’s who have never held a driver’s license.
- Do not use for client’s who require vehicle modifications – use vehicle modifications.
- Clients may be required to pay a fee directly to the driving instructor for on-road assessment/s.
- Services are conducted in the Darwin area, and in some remote locations upon request.

**Vehicle Modifications (minimum hours required 20hours)**

Includes initial off-road assessment and two on road driving assessments, report writing and liaison with relevant authorised parties including driving instructor, medical specialists, GP, and Motor Vehicle Registry. Also includes assessment and training with a qualified driving instructor, and quoting, liaison with vehicle modification installers.

- Clients who require vehicle modifications.
- Client may require lessons (practical) to learn to use the modification safely. Refer to price list below.
- Clients may be required to pay a fee directly to the driving instructor for on-road assessment/s.
- Services are conducted in the Darwin area, and in some remote locations upon request.

**PRICE LIST – AS OF 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2023**

**Private – Self Funded (<65yrs)**

Assessment Services – including admin/liaison; report writing; travel  
\$200 per hour

**Private – Self Funded Pensioner (>65yrs)**

Assessment Services – including admin/liaison; report writing; travel  
\$180 per hour.

**Practical Lessons**

\$145 per hour

All prices include GST on travel and reporting services.

**Estimated Hours and Costs**

	Approx Cost	Approx Hours
Private – Self Funded (<65yrs)	Return to Driving = \$2200 Vehicle Mods = \$4000	Return to Driving = 11hours
Private – Self Funded Pensioner (>65yrs)	Return to Driving = \$1980 Vehicle Mods = \$3600	Vehicle Mods = 20hours