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**Basic Traffic Stops Exam**

\_\_\_\_\_1) What are some reasons an officer would perform a traffic stop?

1. Observes a traffic offense
2. Responds to a call and sees a vehicle leave the offense location that matches the description of the suspect vehicle
3. Both a and b
4. None of the above

\_\_\_\_\_2) The officer needs to park behind and to the right of the violator when pulling him over.

1. True
2. False

\_\_\_\_\_3) An officer should observe the occupants of the suspect vehicle and look for unusual movement.

1. True
2. False

\_\_\_\_\_ 4) At night time, it is important to shine the spot light where?

1. Into the center of the vehicle
2. At the driver's side mirror
3. a or b
4. None of the above

\_\_\_\_\_5) It is not important for an officer to keep the element of surprise on his side.

1. True
2. False

\_\_\_\_\_6) It is best for an officer to take his or her time when approaching the vehicle.

1. True
2. False

\_\_\_\_\_7) When an officer approaches the vehicle, he or she first needs to:

1. Get organized and prepared
2. Watch for oncoming traffic before exiting the vehicle
3. Make sure she has all the necessary equipment
4. Both b and c

\_\_\_\_\_8) When the officer is talking to the violator, he or she needs to:

1. Allow his gun side to be exposed to the driver
2. Ignore the other occupants of the vehicle
3. Position himself advantageously
4. All of the above

\_\_\_\_9) While talking to the violator, the officer also needs to:

1. Look for contraband
2. Pay attention to odors coming from the vehicle
3. Make sure he can see the driver's hands at all times
4. All of the above

\_\_\_\_\_10) It is important for the officer to identify him or herself.

1. True
2. False

\_\_\_\_\_11) It is not important for the officer to state which police department employs him or her.

1. True
2. False

\_\_\_\_\_12) Which of the following should the officer obtain from the driver?

1. Driver's license
2. Birth certificate
3. Proof of insurance
4. Both a and c

\_\_\_\_\_13) The passengers of the vehicle are required to give the officer their names.

1. True
2. False

\_\_\_\_\_14) An officer is being professional by thanking the violator for their courtesy and cooperation.

1. True
2. False

\_\_\_\_\_15) If an officer discovers that the driver has a warrant, what does the officer need dispatch to do before arresting the person?

1. Agree with the officer
2. Confirm the warrant with the agency that issued it
3. Call the officer's supervisor to see if the officer should make the arrest
4. All of the above

\_\_\_\_\_16) It is normal for the driver to be nervous while the officer is talking to them.

1. True
2. False

\_\_\_\_\_17) What should an officer do before he or she impounds a vehicle?

1. A search
2. An inventory
3. A report
4. Nothing, it is the tow truck driver’s responsibility

**Basic Traffic Stops Exam Key**

1. C
2. B
3. A
4. C
5. B
6. B
7. D
8. C
9. D
10. A
11. B
12. D
13. B
14. A
15. B
16. A
17. B