



# Tips on how to pass every area required in a driving test

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## Pre Drive Checks:

### ***Able to operate --***

Indicators  
Wipers/Washers - front & back  
Headlights - Turn on  
- High/Low Beam  
Handbrake  
Demisters - Front & Back  
Horn  
Brake lights  
Hazard lights

All above must be in good working order

## Starting Up:

Check Handbrake is on  
Select neutral or (P) in a auto  
Foot on the brake (automatic)  
Clutch in (manual)  
Minimal use of starter motor  
Check instruments

## Moving off:

Indicate 5 seconds  
Select Gear  
Mirrors  
Head check  
Release handbrake  
Smooth clutch control  
Cancel signal

## Mirrors:

### ***Check mirrors before***

Indicating  
Turns  
Braking  
15-20 seconds on a straight drive

## Signaling:

### ***Before turns or Merging***

Turns - 3-5 seconds  
Leaving the kerb - 5 seconds  
Left to exit out of a roundabout  
Lane changes - 2 seconds  
Cancel signal within 5 sec  
Signal must be left on until the move is completed

## Turns/Roundabouts:

Mirror checks  
Indicate  
Head checks  
Correct road position  
Correct speed  
Correct gear  
Smooth braking and gear change  
If needed, stop within 1 meter but **NOT** over the line  
Indicate left coming out of roundabouts  
Cancel indicator after the turn

## Kerbside Stop

Mirrors, indicate, head check  
Stop within 300mm from the kerb  
Cancel signal  
Select neutral  
Hand brake on  
Switch engine off  
Select 1<sup>st</sup> gear or (P) in a auto  
Starting up sequence  
Moving off sequence

## 3 Point Turn:

### Position in

Mirrors, indicate, head check  
Stop with in 300 mm from kerb  
Indicator off

### First movement

Indicate, mirror, head check  
Proceed across the road, counter steer  
Handbrake on

### Second movement

Look left and right  
Look out rear window (left shoulder)  
Release hand brake

Proceed backwards, counter steer  
Handbrake on

### Third movement

Look left and right  
Release handbrake proceed forward to correct side of the road  
(remember, no dry steering)

## Safety Margins:

3 second crash avoidance space from the car travelling in front.  
Door width away when passing stationary cars  
At least one car length back when stopping behind a car in a line of traffic.  
Head checks within 2 seconds before moving laterally.

Stop behind, not over, painted lines  
eg. stop or give way lines  
Check intersections before coming to them, not after

## Hand Brake Starts:

Hand brake on  
Select 1<sup>st</sup> gear  
Locate friction point on the clutch  
Increase revs  
Release hand brake  
Slowly release the clutch  
Slowly increase acceleration

## Reverse Parking:

Mirrors, indicate, head check  
Stop door width along side of parked car  
Position in  
Look in both directions  
Head check  
Look out of rear window when in reverse (over left shoulder)  
Park 300mm from kerb and 1-2 meters from the car in front  
Position out  
Moving off sequence

## Lane Changes:

Mirrors, indicate, head check (indicate for a minimum of 2 seconds)  
Safe gap to merge over  
Maintain progress  
Mirror check  
Indicator off

## Shutdown Procedure:

Select neutral  
Foot on brake pedal  
Handbrake on  
Engine off  
Select 1<sup>st</sup> gear or (P) in a auto

## General:

Both hands on top half of steering wheel  
Smooth gear, brake, acceleration control  
Applies road rules  
Courteous to other road users  
Able to read road/traffic ahead  
Observation skills  
Judgement skills