

# DRIVER'S RECORD

The Driving Standards Agency have developed the Driver's Record to help you keep track of your progress and encourage you to become skilled in all the key areas below.

The Record is based on the official learning to drive syllabus and lists all the skills you need to drive safely. It will help you see how you're progressing and identify the skills that need more attention. Using this Record will help you to prepare for your practical test and become a safer driver.

It comes in two parts: this sheet is for you and the other part (free to download) is a more detailed record for your instructor or accompanying driver. If you choose to use this Record take it to each lesson and your test. We encourage you to gain as much practice on the road as possible (see EXPERIENCE overleaf).

Your instructor will be able to offer you further advice or visit [www.direct.gov.uk/motoring](http://www.direct.gov.uk/motoring)

**You need to be skilled in all the key areas below before taking your practical test**



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# EXPERIENCE

It is very important that you gain experience driving on different types of roads, in a variety of conditions. If you don't, you could find yourself in a situation that you don't have the experience to deal with safely.

You should drive in all types of weather conditions. Take some lessons or practice when it's dark or when the sun is very low. Make use of the local area to cover all types of roads in towns and out in the country.

If you can practise with a friend or relative get as much driving experience as possible.

Record this on the private practice form available from your instructor or the DSA website.

Use the list below to tick the areas that you have covered either with your driving instructor or during private practice:

<b>DRIVING INSTRUCTOR</b>		
<b>PRIVATE PRACTICE</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WET ROADS	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	DARKNESS	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	DAYLIGHT	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	DUAL CARRIAGE	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	COUNTRY	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	TOWN AND CITY	<input type="checkbox"/>

# PASS PLUS

After you pass your test, improve your driving skills and reduce your chances of having a crash. You may also get cheaper insurance.

For more information ask your instructor or call the Pass Plus hotline 0115 936 6504

Or send an email to the team at [passplus@dsa.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:passplus@dsa.gsi.gov.uk)



DATE OF CERTIFICATE RECEIVED / /

**THEORY & PRACTICAL TESTS:** visit [www.direct.gov.uk/motoring](http://www.direct.gov.uk/motoring) for useful information and to book online or call 0300 200 1122 to book either test by phone

# THEORY TEST

Studying for your test while you are taking driving lessons will help you to see how it relates to driving on the road. The theory test has two parts which you must pass at the same sitting:

## 1 MULTIPLE CHOICE

This consists of 50 multiple choice questions, some of which will be within a case study scenario, covering the topics on the right:

- ALERTNESS
- ATTITUDE
- SAFETY & YOUR VEHICLE
- SAFETY MARGINS
- HAZARD AWARENESS
- VULNERABLE ROAD USERS
- OTHER TYPES OF VEHICLE
- VEHICLE HANDLING
- MOTORWAY RULES
- RULES OF THE ROAD
- ROAD & TRAFFIC SIGNS
- DOCUMENTS
- ACCIDENTS
- VEHICLE LOADING



## 2 HAZARD PERCEPTION

This consists of a series of video clips which contain one or more hazards. You should press the button as soon as you realise, from the clues, that you may have to change your speed or position on the road. Before you take your theory test you need to develop skills in the following areas:

- LOOKING FOR CLUES
- MSM ROUTINE
- SCANNING & PLANNING
- PRIORITISING
- CUTTING DOWN THE RISKS
- RESPONDING

We recommend that you prepare for both parts of the theory test while developing your on road experience.

DATE OF THEORY TEST PASS / /

1 = introduced

2 = under full instruction

3 = prompted

4 = seldom prompted

5 = independent

boxes 1-4 should be initialled and dated

COCKPIT CHECKS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

SAFETY CHECKS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

CONTROLS & INSTRUMENTS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

MOVING AWAY & STOPPING

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

SAFE POSITIONING

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

MIRRORS - VISION & USE

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

SIGNALS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

ANTICIPATION & PLANNING

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

USE OF SPEED

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

OTHER TRAFFIC

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

JUNCTIONS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

ROUNDABOUTS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

DUAL CARRIAGEWAYS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

TURNING THE VEHICLE AROUND

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

REVERSING

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

PARKING

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

EMERGENCY STOP

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

DARKNESS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

WEATHER CONDITIONS

1	2	3	4
5	date	initials	inst. no

LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES

1	3	5	initials	inst. no	date
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ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

1	3	5	initials	inst. no	date
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PASSENGERS & CARRYING LOADS

1	3	5	initials	inst. no	date
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SECURITY

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