Practical Driving Assessment (Trainer)



	NAME OF PERSON BEING ASSESSED		DATE OF ASSESSMENT	/ /
	TYPE OF TRAINING		VALID LICENCE	Y/N
transport for life	TRAINING INSTITUTION NAME OF ASSESSOR			·
Assessment Categories		Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Good
1. Pre-Vehicle Inspection				
2. Acceleration				
3. Clutch Control				
4. Braking				
5. Driving Position/Seatbelt				
6. Hazard Perception				
7. Speed				
8. Planning				
9. Signalling				
10. Responding to Road Signs/S	iignals			
11. Steering				
12. Road Positioning				
13. Use of Mirrors				
14. Overtaking				
15. Gear Selection and Use				
16. Attitude				
17. Concentration				
18. Junctions & Roundabouts				
19. Reversing				
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Categories	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	
1. Vehicle Inspection	A defect missed or a stage of the check ignored. Candidate couldn't identify the next step if a defect was found.	N/A	All items checked efficiently and with attention to detail. Any defects correctly noted and the driver could verbally identify what the next step was for any defect noted.	
2. Acceleration	Harsh acceleration was frequently used. The rev counter entered the red band on a number of occasions.	Sometimes the accelerator could have been used more smoothly and with greater control but generally progressive acceleration used.	Applied steady and progressive acceleration resulting in a smooth and efficient drive.	
3. Clutch Control	Driver was frequently observed coasting or holding the vehicle using the clutch on inclines.	Quick release and early application occasionally observed.	The clutch was released smoothly and no coasting observed.	
4. Braking	Brakes were applied aggressively or late on a number of occasions. Incorrect use of or failure to apply handbrake.	Braking was occasionally harsh and rushed. More thought would have avoided late and hurried applications.	Braking was smooth and balanced. Hand brake was applied when required.	
5. Driving position/Seatbelt	The candidate adopted a lazy seating position, potentially leading to impaired vision. The candidate failed to use the seat belt automatically (if fitted) and required prompting.	The candidate tended to be a little casual in the driving position. The seat belt was used when fitted.	The candidate sat alert in an upright position throughout the drive. The seat belt was used when fitted.	
6. Hazard perception	There were clear examples of poor planning and observation resulting in an unprepared approach to hazards.	Driver read the road well but there was room to improve observation and hazard perception. Occasionally late to respond to hazards.	Good forward observations, resulting in a consistent, perceptive and safe style of driving. Driver reacted appropriately to hazards in a safe and efficient manner.	
7.Speed	Speed limits were ignored or speeds were inappropriate for road condition.	Speed limits were observed but better forward planning taking into account imminent changes to speed limits or road conditions would have resulted in a smoother drive.	Legal speed limits were strictly observed. Constantly matching the speed with visibility/road conditions and planning ahead for changes.	
8.Planning	Little attempt was made to maintain safe progress with lost opportunities throughout the drive. A distinct lack of planning was evident.	The flow and progress of the drive was lost on infrequent occasions.	Good, safe progress was maintained. Advantage taken of gaps in traffic without compromising safety.	
9. Signalling	There was insufficient use of signals, or misleading signals given to other road users. Signals were delayed	Signals were given but not to advantage other road users.	Excellent information given to other road users during the drive. Signals were correct and well-timed.	
10. Responding to road signs/signals	Several signs, lights or markings were missed resulting in potentially hazardous situations.	Signs, lights or markings were observed but occasionally the driver failed to react accordingly. However road safety was not compromised.	Driver strictly observed all traffic signs, traffic lights, and road and lane markings, reacting appropriately in a safe and efficient manner.	
11. Steering	There was a lack of discipline towards steering. Both hands were removed from the wheel at the same time.	Steering method used tended to be unorthodox and minor errors made	Correct steering technique clearly demonstrated, maintaining control throughout.	
12. Vehicle	Positioning was inconsistent resulting in poor space	Generally good lane positioning but at times markings were	The vehicle was positioned to maximise visibility, safety, and lane	
positioning	around the vehicle.	cut or straddled.	discipline, and to facilitate progress.	
13. Use of mirrors	Mirrors not positioned correctly or not used regularly	Mirrors positioned correctly but not fully utilised	Mirrors positioned and regularly used for gaining maximum information	
14. Overtaking	Inadequate planning caused overtaking to be aborted or carried out in an unsafe manner.	Overtaking manoeuvres were safe but lacked a degree of urgency.	Overtaking was carried out using good judgment, in a safe and efficient manner.	
15. Gear selection and use	Uneconomic and overuse of gears. Often incorrect selection of gears.	Generally correctly geared but occasionally not using the right gear to match the speed and conditions.	The gearbox was used in a most efficient manner with correct gear for conditions and speed.	
16. Attitude	The driver displayed unacceptable forcefulness on at least one occasion and there was an evident lack of courtesy to other road-users.	The driver demonstrated considerate driving but occasionally pressurised other road users.	A competent driver, aware of other road users. Concentrated well and displayed a high level of consideration and courtesy for other road users.	
17. Concentration	Often being distracted from driving.	Occasionally distracted from driving.	Good concentration observed at all times	
18. Junctions and	Rush to navigate the junction meant progress was made	Junctions were generally negotiated safely but lack of	Speed on approach was managed in a safe and efficient manner.	
Roundabouts	but potentially carried out in an unsafe manner, or many opportunities to progress were missed.	observation or some hesitation resulted in some missed opportunities to progress. Speed on approach was occasionally inappropriate.	Appropriate lane position was chosen to maximise visibility and safe negotiation of junction. Good observations and use of mirrors and signals.	
19. Reversing	Observations were minimal, manoeuvre was not completed at an appropriate speed or appropriate safety checks were not completed. Dry steering sometimes used.	Driver reversed slowly, occasionally dry steering. Observations could have been more thorough. Accurate vehicle positioning.	Driver used full observation before and during manoeuvre. Driver reversed slowly, prevented dry steering and completed with accurate vehicle positioning.	