

Bay-Parking: Project Worksheets

For this project you will:

- Read the Method notes below
- Determine your goals for the exercise
- Initially practise parking for 20 to 40 minutes
- Make a brief key point plan for further improvement
- Reflect on the outcome of the practise

Method

Spend 20 to 40 minutes* practising this manoeuvre and, if you generally drive into bays, get into the habit of reversing in for at least 50% of the time that you park and vice-versa if you generally reverse in.

**Spend as much time as necessary to become consistently accurate. Between twenty and forty minutes is essential to achieve this – some students will need longer.*

Although this is an easy manoeuvre in a busy car park, it takes a little time to master the accuracy required to centre your car into a bay in an empty car park (with at least two empty bays either side of your chosen bay).

Your initial location for this practice is a quiet area of a car park before moving on to busier parking situations.

Read the pre-set achievement targets before you start reversing. It may require quite a lot of practise, or an assessment with a trainer, before you can consider ticking off all the targets.

To further assist your preparation for Part-Three, take along your copy of the DVSA Driving Manual, essential skills. After 15 minutes, take a break and read about car parks to ensure that you are following DVSA advice and practice.

If you have an opportunity to practice with other students, ask them to assess your performance. If you don't agree with your fellow student's assessment that's OK; but remember it's usually easier to be objective from the passenger seat.

Make a note of any actions for improvement by either self-development or with the help of a trainer at a later date.

Goals and reflection

Start by setting your goals for this exercise, revisiting them after completing other manoeuvring projects.

Reflective notes are required for this project as are the 'working notes'.

Bay-Parking: Goals

Name: Date

The three main things that I want to achieve with regard to 'bay-parking' are:

1.

2.

3

Now consider the evidence that will tell you that you have achieved your goals. What will be different, what will you see, hear and feel differently?

I will know when I have achieved the three goals above when:

1.

2.

3.

Bay-Parking: Achievement Targets

Name: Date

Using the scaling method, score yourself before and after your initial 20/40 minute practise. There are six assessment criteria therefore the average score for the exercise as a whole will be the total score divided by six. At the end of each session make brief key bullet point notes as a plan for improvement.

| Topic | Score Before | Score After |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| <i>Before reversing into a parking bay I always:</i> | | |
| Consider the safety and convenience of the location | | |
| <i>Look all around</i> , front rear and blind-spots to ensure that it is safe to proceed | | |
| Remain aware that busy car parks are used as much by pedestrians as by drivers. | | |
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| <i>When reversing into a parking bay, I always:</i> | | |
| Drive slowly, keeping full control of the car. | | |
| Glance around <i>frequently</i> to check for other road users. | | |
| Ensure that I make best use of the available space, finishing in the centre of the parking space. | | |
| Total score | | |
| | | |
| Average score (total score divided by 6) | | |

Action required for improvement:

Bay-Parking: Reflection

Name: Date

Use this sheet to write your reflective notes about your 'bay-parking' experience.

Your completed notes form part of the coursework required for assessment. Please contact Training Support for details of how to submit your work.

- What have you learned?
- What have you learned about yourself?
- What do you need to improve?
- Where/how will you use the learning?

But you are not limited to these points and are encouraged to write anything that is relevant for you.