

Turn-in-the-road Worksheet

Spend between 15 and 25 minutes practising this manoeuvre on two separate occasions*.

Quiet suburban roads, or off road areas, are ideal for reversing manoeuvres. Start with an average width road and then graduate to narrower roads. Set yourself a challenge to see just how narrow the road has to be before you have to make five moves as opposed to three.

When choosing your location, bear in mind the feelings of the people living on your route. In many areas the residents get fed up with learners constantly practising outside their front doors. If you are practicing during the day it is probably best to avoid driving test routes - it wouldn't be a good idea to start upsetting local examiners before you have even qualified! You can spot examiners because they wear fluorescent yellow vests.

Read the achievement targets, plus any of your own, before you start your practise - and again after a couple of attempts; provisionally tick off those targets that you are happy with. It may quite a few attempts before you can consider ticking off all the targets.

When you are easily able to meet the accuracy targets move on to a slightly busier location so that you are 'forced' to keep a good look out for other road users.

To further assist your preparation for Part-Three, take along your copy of the DVSA Driving Manual. After 15 minutes, take a break and read about parking – are you following DVSA advice and practice?

Assessment

Score yourself using the 1 – 10 scale. If you have an opportunity to practice with other students or friends from an advanced driving club, ask them to assess your performance. If you don't agree with your passenger's assessment that's OK; but remember it's usually easier to be objective from the passenger seat.

Note any actions for improvement by either self-development or based on the advice of a trainer during an assessment or optional training session.

**We suggest a minimum of two practise sessions completed on separate days. Therefore you will need to print out at least 2x Achievement Target sheets.*

Turn-in-the-road - Achievement Targets

Name: Date

<i>Before the turn-in-the road manoeuvre I always:</i>	
	Score
Consider the safety and convenience of the location	
Ensure that the road is clear and that it is safe to proceed <i>Take the same precautions as you would when moving off normally but allow for the fact that you will be moving into an 'unsociable' position when deciding whether or not to wait for other traffic.</i>	
<i>When competing the turn-in-the-road, I always:</i>	
	Score
Drive slowly, keeping full control of the car. <i>Apply the same considerations as with reversing exercises – allow sufficient time for effective observation.</i>	
Glance around frequently to check for other road users. <i>The same considerations apply as with other manoeuvres.</i>	
Give way to other road users where appropriate <i>Remember that when manoeuvring you are the odd one out – but do not instruct others to pass you. If other drivers give way, proceed with the manoeuvre but do so safely without rushing.</i>	
Make eye-contact with other drivers/road users and take appropriate action. <i>Is the other person waiting or coming through?</i>	
Check all around, especially to the rear before starting the reverse leg of the manoeuvre and always start to look back before the car starts moving. <i>Get into the habit of checking all around - then looking over your left shoulder and then releasing the handbrake – in that order.</i>	
Ensure that I make full use of the available road width. <i>The average road used for Part-two will allow you to turn around in three movements – this is not a test requirement but you could lose marks for accuracy if you take more moves than necessary for any given road.</i>	
	Total score
	Average score (total score divided by 8)

Turn-in-the-road - Improvement Targets