

Emergency stop answers

What advice does Smartdriving give about your feet during the emergency stop exercise?

Non ABS - Brake before Clutch. ABS - Both feet together. But use the brake before clutch method when first practising regardless of vehicle type.

What is the benefit of ABS in an emergency?

An alternative meaning for the letters ABS is 'ability to brake and steer'. ABS keeps the wheels rotating and therefore gives some traction for steering.

ABS does not stop you quicker and it is still possible to skid sideways.

When practising the emergency stop with a learner, what precaution must you take before saying 'stop'?

Turn around to look behind - don't rely on mirrors

Why is it not advisable to do more than three emergency stops in succession when practising?

The brakes get hot. If they get too hot they will be inefficient and you might experience 'brake fade' making it difficult to stop.

What do the letters ESP stand for in relation to cars and vehicle control?

Electronic Stability Programme. This is a computer controlled device that help cars to maintain stability and traction in the event of an emergency.