



# Beginners: e-Life: Driving Theory Practice Tests

The **Driving Standards Agency** website, [www.dsa.gov.uk](http://www.dsa.gov.uk), provides quick links to car, bike, bus & lorry, taxi drivers and instructors sections.

1. Click on the **car drivers** photo or text link for the relevant information and useful links for car drivers.



2. The links on the left hand side of the screen provide a wealth of information useful for anyone who wishes to find out more about getting started, the theory or practical test, the test fees, where the nearest centre is etc.

- Car drivers
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- Practical test
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- FAQs
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- Car and trailer tests
- Driver Assessments (ODA)

3. Click on the **Theory test** link.

The links down the left hand side of the screen have changed and are now all relevant to taking the theory test.

4. Click on the **Practice theory tests** link.

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**Who needs to take a test?**  
**UK licence holders**  
 You will need to take a theory test if you want a licence for a new category of vehicle, for example, if you have a car licence and you want a motorcycle licence you will need to take a theory test.

If, however, you want to upgrade within a vehicle category you will not normally need to take a theory test, for example, if you have a full automatic car licence and you want a manual car licence you will not have to take a theory test.

Please check with the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA) or the Driving Standards Agency (DSA) if you are unsure if you should take a theory test.

**Related Items**

- Minimum age you can take a test
- Driving test resource material

**External Links**

- DVLA website
- DSA Official Bookstore

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5. There are two practice tests available online for car, motorbike, bus and lorry drivers. These are shown at the bottom of the page - click on either of the links to **Car practise test 1** or **Car practise test 2**.

6. The welcome screen provides information about the theory test, the scoring and suggests you should prepare for your real theory test by studying the relevant Official Theory Test books.

Driving Standards Agency Official online theory test for Car Drivers

This multi-choice theory test element is only part of the new Theory Test. You will also be required to complete a Hazard Perception element in the real test.

As in the real test, these tests use a mix of 35 questions drawn from all sections of the question bank to test your road safety knowledge.

**Important Note:**

Scoring more than 30 out of 35 on this test does not guarantee a pass when you take the real theory test under proper exam conditions.

To assist in preparation for your theory test you should study the relevant Official Theory Test books and other recommended reading compiled by DSA and printed by The Stationery Office.

More information about the Hazard Perception element of the test is available on the main DSA website

To start the test press the Start Test Button

Start Test

7. Click on the **Start Test** button.

8. The practice theory test will open in a new window.

Multiple choice type questions

Question 2 of 35 © DSA 2003 Time Remaining: 38:59

A flashing green beacon on a vehicle means

**Mark one answer**

- police on non-urgent duties
- doctor on an emergency call
- road safety patrol operating
- gritting in progress

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