

TONY BARDEN SCHOOL OF MOTORING

MOVING AWAY AND STOPPING AT THE KERB

OBJECTIVES;

1. To be able to move away from the kerb on a level road using the *get ready/check/go* routine.
2. To be able to pull up safely at the kerb again using the *m.s.m.* routine.(mirror, signal, manoeuvre)

GET READY; (Push clutch to floor)

1. Select first gear (palm away from you).
2. Set the gas (press the accelerator down slightly).
3. Get the *HOLDING POINT* (where the sound of the engine drops and the car is about to pull against the handbrake. Keep both feet still!)

CHECK;

1. Use the *look assess decide* routine.

*LOOK*___To the front of the car, in the inside mirror, in the outside mirror, and *over your shoulder* to check the *blind spot*.

*ASSESS*___Is there anyone around? Will they benefit from a signal? Can I move now or should I wait?

*DECIDE*___To wait until it is safe./ To signal if someone will benefit./ To move away if it is clear and safe to do so.

GO;

Release the handbrake and let the clutch up very slightly.

Return your hand to the steering wheel.

Hold the clutch steady as the car moves forward.

Increase the gas gently as you let the clutch up the rest of the way smoothly.

Remove your foot from the clutch after moving off.

Remember; GET READY/CHECK(LOOK, ASSESS, DECIDE)/GO!

THE M.S.M. ROUTINE

Pulling up at the kerb, use the *mirror, signal, manoeuvre* routine.

*MIRROR*___Check them to see if it is safe to pull up and if there is anyone behind.

*SIGNAL*___Give a left signal if someone will benefit.

*MANOEUVRE*___Take your foot off the accelerator and cover the brake and clutch. Steer towards a safe location. Apply the brakes gently. Push the clutch quickly to the floor just before the car stops.

When the car stops, apply the handbrake and select neutral. Take your feet off the pedals and relax.

Cancel the signal if given.

Remember; MIRROR SIGNAL MANOEUVRE (Before any change of speed or direction).

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