

Driving Tuition (The New Normal): *Please read before you attend a driving lesson.*

The following is to outline what to expect when attending your next driving lesson in the post lockdown period. This guidance sets out to explain the new practices and procedures in place and also the responsibilities of both the Instructor and the student attending.

The Instructor: *(In addition to adhering to regular best practice.)*

- i) Will ensure that the cleanliness of the tuition vehicle is maintained throughout the working day. The vehicle will be wiped down using approved antibacterial cleaning products after each lesson. Particular attention is made to all hand contact points. All waste PPE will be collected and disposed of at the end of each lesson.
- ii) Will maintain the highest level of personal hygiene throughout and will be wearing a face covering to help safeguard the health and wellbeing of others.
- iii) Will ensure that the vehicle is well ventilated during the lesson.
- iv) Will monitor their own health and the health of their own household. Should the instructor become unwell and show signs of Covid 19 infection and/or should any if their household do so, then the instructor will call a halt on any further lessons and observe NHS England's guidance on self-isolation.

The Student: *(In addition to adhering to regular [terms & conditions](#).)*

- i) Will only attend their lesson if they are fit and well to do so.
- ii) Will notify the instructor in good time if they or members of their household are displaying symptoms of Covid 19 infection.
- iii) Will maintain the highest levels of personal hygiene, ensuring that their hands have been thoroughly cleaned prior to their lesson and that their clothing is clean and appropriate.
- iv) Will be expected to wear an appropriate facial covering throughout the course of the lesson.

Practices and procedure:

- I) **Communication:** You will be sent a text message [usually 48 hours beforehand] reminding you of your appointment. This is not new; however, you will also be asked to declare your fitness to attend.

'Are you or members of your household displaying symptoms of or have you or members of your household being in contact with anyone else that are displaying symptoms of Covid 19?'

It is essential that you do respond to that text message and if any of the above mentioned applies then your response must state so. Your lesson will be postponed without charge and you should follow [NHS England](#) guidelines on self-isolation.

- II) **Personal Hygiene:** Having washed your hands thoroughly before you left your house, hand sanitiser will also be made available as a second additional line of defence. You will be provided with non-latex disposable gloves to wear for the duration of your lesson.
- III) **Detection:** Before entering the tuition vehicle the instructor will record your body temperature by using a non-invasive, noncontact handheld infrared scanner. Anyone recording a temperature of 37.8 or greater will be refused tuition and advised to follow NHS England's guidance.
- IV) **Prevention:** Facial coverings must be worn when it is practically possible. A face mask will be made available when possible as supply can be limited. Therefore, you are advised to bring your own. A homemade face mask is permitted and encouraged. So long as it correctly covers both your mouth and nasal openings but does not impede your vision.

Test & Trace:

You are encouraged to participate in national test and trace schemes as and when required to. Should an App ever become available, then you are also encouraged to download and use such app.

*Agreeing to participate Test and Trace is a requirement should you be taking a practical driving test.

Symptoms of Covid 19:

- I) Fever and a temperature of 37.8 or greater.
- II) Newly acquired persistent **dry** cough
- III) Loss of sense of smell and or taste

The above are considered the main symptoms to be aware of however, the [WHO have included others](#)

I hope that you understand why changes are needed. I understand that these changes may seem strange and fuffy at first but for the time being they are a necessary. Before long as we all get use to doing it it will start to feel normal. The New Normal.

Additions:

Driving tests:

New guidance on how driving test will proceed from July 22nd until further notice

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-driving-tests-and-theory-tests#during-your-driving-test>