

Subject: **Road Position**

Recap: Normal driving position.

Objective:

- What* Consider road position in general driving.
- How* Discuss road position for various different situations in everyday driving followed by on road practice.
- By the end* Have a better idea of correct road position for different situations.

Main Points:

General Road Positioning Normal driving position - Well to the left, approx 1 metre from kerb.
Keep well clear of parked vehicles/obstructions (be prepared for doors opening/vehicles moving off/children running out and to slow down and/or stop if necessary).
Plan ahead - move into position in good time.
Don't weave in/out of parked vehicles (confusing/unnecessary).
Don't drive too close to kerb (esp. where pedestrians are about).

Position correctly for the direction you wish to take (obey signs/road markings) - Left for straight on and left, center for right.

TURNING - Left Position well to the left, 1 metre from kerb (Normal driving position)
Right As close to centre of road as is safe (so vehicles can pass on left).
Don't cut corners when turning left or right.

BENDS - Left Position in the centre of your lane to provide an improved view while keeping a safe distance from oncoming traffic.
Right Position well to the left on the approach to provide best and safest view.

References: Driving the Essential Skills P.113 & 142 & 152/153

Any Questions?