

**Subject:** Turning Right (Major to Minor)

**Recap:** Turning Left (Major to Minor). MSPSL

**Objective:**

- What* How to approach & negotiate a right hand junction safely.
- How* Look at the main points of turning right and how the MSM routine should be applied, followed by on road practice.
- By the end* Be able to turn right from a major into a minor road under full control and with due regard for other road users/pedestrians.

**Main Points:**

**Advance Info.** Look for clues on the approach to help identify the junction & plan ahead:  
Amount of traffic, vehicles turning into/emerging from road, warning/direction signs, road markings, traffic lights, breaks in lines of houses/parked cars.

**Hazard** Junctions are hazards - MSM routine should be applied (MSPSL)

**Mirrors** Check speed/position of vehicles behind - Interior and right (overtakers).

**Signal** Your intention to other road users/pedestrians - clearly and in good time.

**Position** As close to centre line as is safe - confirms intent to turn right and allows traffic to pass on your left if enough room.

**Speed** Reduce speed on approach - the less you can see, the slower you should go.  
Slowest just before the turn and in correct gear (2nd) approx 2 car lengths before turn.

**Look** Ahead, Mirrors (R), Right - Depending on what you see - 2 choices, Go or Wait

**Go** If road ahead is obviously clear, check mirrors (overtakers) and into new road for pedestrians crossing/obstructions etc.

**Wait** If there is oncoming traffic or you are in any doubt at all - don't make the turn.  
Stop with nose level with centre line. Wait for a safe gap (pedestrian guide).  
When safe gap - still need to check for overtakers and into new road.

You MUST NOT cross the centre line if you cannot enter the minor road safely.

**Steering** Not too early (cut corner) or too late (clip/mount kerb).  
Aim to finish in normal driving position in new road.

**After Turn** Check mirrors and if safe, accelerate away.

**References:** Driving the Essential Skills P. 149-151/153 Official Driving Test P. 39-40  
BSM Pass Your Driving Test P. 41-45

**Any Questions?**