

Learning to drive FAQs

How old must I be to obtain my licence?

You must be 17 years of age. You can obtain your license 3 months before your 17th birthday.

Where do I obtain my provisional licence?

From your local post office. Form D1. Send the completed form, 2 x passport photos and the appropriate fee.

When can I start driving?

Once you have your licence in your possession. You are also required by law to be able to read a standard licence plate with or without glasses or lenses from a distance of 20.5 metres or 20 metres if the letters and numbers are narrower.

How much do the tests cost?

Test type	Weekdays	Evenings, weekends & bank holidays
Theory test	£23.00	£23.00
Driving test	£62.00	£75.00
Extended driving test	£124.00	£150.00
for disqualified drivers		



How long / how many lessons will I need to pass my practical?

This depends on ability. The D.S.A. (Driving standards agency) suggest that 46 hours professional tuition and at least 20 hours additional practice gives candidates the best chance of passing.

How long is the practical test?

38 to 40 minutes (a minimum of 30 minutes is required)

When will I be ready for my test?

During your lessons, we will cover many aspects of theory as well as practical skills. I will help you to recognise and analyse not only the dangers on the road but how best to deal with and anticipate them. As your understanding develops you will know when you're ready.

How can I contact Smile?

Call us on 7940 156 646.

Alternatively email us at smiledrivinglessons@gmail.com or fill in the 'Book a Lesson' form.