DVSA Test Cheat Sheet (UK)



1. Overview of the UK Driving Tests

- Theory Test
- Hazard Perception Test
- Practical Driving Test

You must read a number plate at 20 metres to meet DVSA eyesight rules.

2. Theory Test Breakdown

Multiple-Choice Questions

- 50 questions
- Pass mark: 43/50
- 57 minutes
- Covers Highway Code, signs, rules & safety

How to Prepare

- Use DVSA apps
- Learn signs & road markings
- Know stopping distances

Hazard Perception Test

- 14 clips
- 1 developing hazard each (one has 2)
- Pass mark: 44/75

Click when the hazard begins to develop. Multiple natural clicks are fine.



3. Practical Test Overview

- 40 minutes total
- Show me/Tell me questions
- General driving
- One manoeuvre
- 20 mins independent driving

4. 'Show Me, Tell Me' Questions

Tell Me (before driving):

- Check brakes
- Check tyres
- Check lights
- Check indicators
- Check fluids

Show Me (while driving):

- Wash windscreen
- Turn on headlights
- Demist
- Open/close window

5. Manoeuvres You May Be Asked To Do

- Reverse bay park
- Forward bay park
- Parallel park
- Pull up on right & reverse



6. Independent Driving

- Follow sat nav (DVSA TomTom)
- Or follow traffic signs

7. Marking & Faults

Driving faults (minors): Up to 15 allowed.

Serious fault: Unsafe action → fail.

Dangerous fault: Causes danger → immediate fail.

8. Most Common Fails (DVSA stats)

- Poor observation at junctions
- Mirror errors before direction change
- Poor manoeuvre control
- Ignoring signs
- Lane discipline issues
- Being overly hesitant

9. Test-Day Tips

- Arrive early
- Set mirrors properly
- Stay calm
- Mistake & fail
- Treat examiner as quiet passenger