

**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?**