Your life in **THE EAST MIDLANDS**



Driving in the UK

Top tips to get passed quickly

Learn your theory before you arrive, if you're already here then get on it now!

There are many free apps and websites with preparation, learning and mock test materials on to help you such as the government website, Theory Test practice and more!

www.gov.uk/theorytest/revision-and-practice www.theorytest.org.uk

Apply as early as you can for your provisional licence, preferably online to reduce processing times.

You can find many resources and information about getting your provisional licence online, and you complete your application on the government website.

www.passmefast.co.uk/resou rces/learning-todrive/getting-ready/applyprovisional-driving-licenceguide

www.gov.uk/apply-first-provisional-driving-licence

Whilst waiting for provisional ensure eyesight is at UK driving standards, take relevant steps if not.

You can check the eyesight requirements easily on the government website, and there are many safe and well-known UK eyecare brands that frequently take on new people and have shorter waits for tests, such as Specsavers.

www.gov.uk/driving-eyesightrules

www.specsavers.co.uk



Enquire and book theory test once your provisional licence has arrived.

www.gov.uk/book-theory-test

When you think you're ready, you can book your theory test on the government website.

Enquire and book practical lessons whilst completing theory.

You can search for driving instructors using the Government website, Google or ask social media for recommendations.

www.gov.uk/find-drivingschools-and-lessons www.google.co.uk

Book an intensive practical course where possible.

This can help reduce your learning time and is really beneficial if you already know how to drive - but some people learn better over time! Intensive courses are a bulk set of learning hours over reduced days. For example, it could be a full 5 hours, each day, for 7 days. This differs to normal lessons which tend to be 1/2 hours per week over a few months. If this is something you're interested in, ask the instructor when enquiring.

Book test at the earliest convenience under driving instructor's advice.

You can use the government website again to book your practical test. You can also use verified cancellation sites to get first pick of cancellations, which of course may reduce your wait time for a test. Listen to your driving instructor's advice on this matter, and for your information some of these cancellation sites charge a fee.

www.gov.uk/book-driving-test www.driving-test-cancellations-4all.co.uk