

Independent Driving

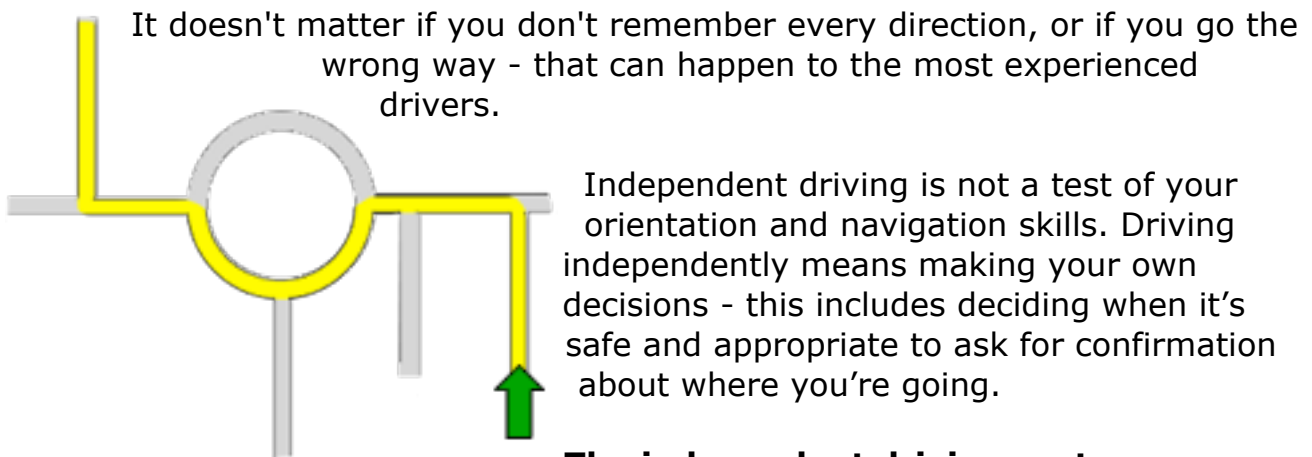


From 4 October 2010, the practical driving and riding test for all vehicle categories, including the Approved Driving Instructor (ADI) practical driving part two test, will include approximately ten minutes of independent driving.

The following information is provided by the DSA..

During your test you'll have to drive by either following a series of directions, following traffic signs, or a combination of both, for about ten minutes.

To help you understand where you're going, the examiner may show you a diagram.



The independent driving route

If you ask for a reminder of the directions, the examiner will confirm them to you.

If you go off the independent driving route it won't affect the result of your test unless you commit a driving fault.

If you go off the route or take a wrong turning, the examiner will help you to get back on the route and continue with the independent driving. If there are poor or obscured traffic signs, the examiner will give you directions until you can see the next traffic sign - you won't need to have a detailed knowledge of the area.

You can't use a sat nav for independent driving as it gives you turn-by-turn prompts. Independent driving tests how you make your own decisions.