

UK Highway Code Practice Test (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. Which sign indicates a hump in the road on a bridge?**
 - A. A triangular warning sign showing a speed bump**
 - B. A triangular warning sign showing a hump on a bridge**
 - C. A circular sign prohibiting turning**
 - D. A rectangular sign with road works symbol**

- 2. What does the traffic sign or signal reading 'fog' indicate?**
 - A. Reduced visibility ahead**
 - B. Clear visibility ahead**
 - C. No change in visibility**
 - D. Fog disappears**

- 3. Which sign indicates the default speed limit on most roads where no other limit is shown?**
 - A. Stop**
 - B. National speed limit applies**
 - C. Maximum speed**
 - D. No entry**

- 4. Which color indicates you should stop at the stop line?**
 - A. Red**
 - B. Amber**
 - C. Green**
 - D. Flashing red**

- 5. What documentation should you provide after a crash?**
 - A. Give your own and the vehicle owner's name and address as well as the registration number of the vehicle**
 - B. Share only your own name**
 - C. Provide the vehicle's registration number but not names**
 - D. Provide details to the police in writing later**

- 6. What action should you take when you see a red light?**
 - A. Go**
 - B. Stop**
 - C. Creep forward**
 - D. Turn around**

- 7. What does 'Waiting is limited to the duration specified' mean?**
- A. Waiting is limited to the duration specified**
 - B. Waiting may exceed the duration during light traffic**
 - C. You may not wait at all**
 - D. Waiting is unlimited**
- 8. Which sign prohibits overtaking other vehicles?**
- A. No Right Turn**
 - B. No Overtaking**
 - C. Give Priority To Vehicles From Opposite Direction**
 - D. No Vehicles Over Width Shown**
- 9. Which sign indicates a tourist attraction?**
- A. Tourist attraction**
 - B. On Approach to a Junction in Wales**
 - C. Direction to toilets with disabled access**
 - D. Picnic site**
- 10. What does a green arrow in a lane signal indicate?**
- A. Braking**
 - B. End of restriction**
 - C. Lane closed to traffic facing the sign**
 - D. You may use the lane if you are facing the sign**

Answers

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1. B
2. B
3. B
4. D
5. A
6. B
7. A
8. B
9. A
10. D

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Explanations

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1. Which sign indicates a hump in the road on a bridge?

- A. A triangular warning sign showing a speed bump**
- B. A triangular warning sign showing a hump on a bridge**
- C. A circular sign prohibiting turning**
- D. A rectangular sign with road works symbol**

A triangular warning sign with a red border is used to indicate a hazard ahead, and the exact symbol inside tells you what to expect. The sign showing a hump on a bridge is the one that warns you about a raised section of road on a bridge, so you should slow down and pass cautiously to avoid bouncing or losing grip. This is why it's the best choice here: it specifically matches the situation of a hump occurring on a bridge. The circular sign prohibiting turning is a prohibition, not a warning; the rectangular road works sign signals works ahead, not a road surface hazard; a general sign for a speed bump might indicate a bump, but not that it's on a bridge.

2. What does the traffic sign or signal reading 'fog' indicate?

- A. Reduced visibility ahead**
- B. Clear visibility ahead**
- C. No change in visibility**
- D. Fog disappears**

Fog ahead reduces how far you can see, so a sign reading "fog" warns you to be prepared for lower visibility. The best approach is to slow down, increase the distance to the vehicle in front, and use appropriate lighting (dipped headlights and, if conditions require, fog lights) so you can react to hazards in time. It doesn't indicate that visibility will be clear or unchanged, nor that the fog will disappear.

3. Which sign indicates the default speed limit on most roads where no other limit is shown?

- A. Stop**
- B. National speed limit applies**
- C. Maximum speed**
- D. No entry**

The sign shows that the national speed limit applies. When you see this sign, you're following the default speed limit for that road type because there's no other limit posted. The national speed limit differs by road: it's 60 mph on a single carriageway outside built-up areas, and 70 mph on a dual carriageway or motorway. In built-up areas, a separate lower limit (often 30 mph) applies unless signs say otherwise. The other signs mentioned don't indicate the default rule: a stop sign means you must stop, a no entry sign blocks the road, and a maximum speed sign sets a specific limit rather than the general default.

4. Which color indicates you should stop at the stop line?

- A. Red
- B. Amber
- C. Green
- D. Flashing red**

A flashing red signal is treated as a stop signal. When you see a flashing red, you must bring your vehicle to a complete stop at the stop line and only proceed when it is safe to do so (typically when the signal stops flashing or when you are given the go-ahead). This is why flashing red is the best answer here—it requires a full halt just like a steady red, and you only move once it's safe. Amber means you should prepare to stop and may be required to stop if you can do so safely, green means go if the road is clear, and flashing amber is a caution signal rather than a definite stop.

5. What documentation should you provide after a crash?

- A. Give your own and the vehicle owner's name and address as well as the registration number of the vehicle**
- B. Share only your own name
- C. Provide the vehicle's registration number but not names
- D. Provide details to the police in writing later

Exchanging complete identifying details at the scene is essential after a crash. Provide your own name and address, the vehicle owner's name and address if different, and the vehicle's registration number. This gives clear identification of who was driving, who owns the car, and which vehicle was involved, which is needed for insurance, legal, and follow-up purposes. Giving only your name leaves important information out, while giving only the registration number omits who was driving and who owns the vehicle, and delaying details to the police in writing later can slow the necessary documentation.

6. What action should you take when you see a red light?

- A. Go
- B. Stop**
- C. Creep forward
- D. Turn around

Red means stop. A red signal tells you to halt and wait for the light to change to green. You should brake smoothly and stop before the stop line, or before entering the junction if there's no line, keeping a safe distance from the vehicle in front. Do not creep forward or go through the junction while it's red, and don't turn around instead of stopping. Only proceed when the light is green (or if a police officer directs otherwise).

7. What does 'Waiting is limited to the duration specified' mean?

- A. Waiting is limited to the duration specified**
- B. Waiting may exceed the duration during light traffic**
- C. You may not wait at all**
- D. Waiting is unlimited**

Waiting is limited to a set time means there's a maximum amount of time you're allowed to wait in that place, and that limit is shown on the sign. You can stop and wait, but only for the specified duration; once that time is up, you must move off. The limit applies regardless of how light or heavy the traffic is. So it's not saying you can wait longer during light traffic, not saying you may not wait at all, and not saying waiting is unlimited.

8. Which sign prohibits overtaking other vehicles?

- A. No Right Turn**
- B. No Overtaking**
- C. Give Priority To Vehicles From Opposite Direction**
- D. No Vehicles Over Width Shown**

Overtaking prohibitions are about safety on sections where passing could be dangerous. The No overtaking sign directly tells you that you must not overtake any vehicle on that stretch, so it specifically prohibits the act in question. That direct instruction makes it the correct sign for prohibiting overtaking. The other signs address different rules: No Right Turn bans turning right; Give Priority To Vehicles From Opposite Direction means you must yield to oncoming traffic on narrow roads; No Vehicles Over Width Shown limits vehicle width, not overtaking.

9. Which sign indicates a tourist attraction?

- A. Tourist attraction**
- B. On Approach to a Junction in Wales**
- C. Direction to toilets with disabled access**
- D. Picnic site**

In the UK, signs that guide drivers to places of interest for visitors are shown on brown signs. The most direct way to indicate a tourist attraction is a sign that literally labels it as a "Tourist attraction." That explicit wording makes it clear that the location ahead is a site of interest for tourists, which is exactly what the question is asking for. The other signs point to different things: a sign about an approach to a junction is a warning about road layout ahead, not about attractions; a blue sign for toilets with disabled access provides facilities information, which is unrelated to tourist sites; and a brown sign for a picnic site indicates a place to stop for a break, not necessarily a tourist attraction.

10. What does a green arrow in a lane signal indicate?

- A. Braking**
- B. End of restriction**
- C. Lane closed to traffic facing the sign**
- D. You may use the lane if you are facing the sign**

A green arrow in a lane shows that the lane is open for traffic in the direction the arrow points. You may use that lane if you are traveling in that direction and you are facing the sign. It's a marker used to manage lane movements, such as at roadworks or when lanes are opened or closed in different directions. It does not indicate braking, end of restriction, or that the lane is closed—that would be shown by a different signal.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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