

PART FOUR - THEORY TEST

As a professional LGV instructor, knowledge of all aspects of the subject is critical. As part of the National Register of Instructors examination candidate knowledge on a range of issues relating to LGV driving and driver training will be tested during a 100 multiple choice question theory test. To prepare for the theory test candidates should ensure that they refresh their knowledge in the following areas.

The theory test questions will all come from these subject areas:

Instructional Techniques (25 questions)

- In-cab lesson planning
- In-cab demonstrations
- In-cab training techniques
- Instructor-trainee relationship
- Classroom lesson planning
- Classroom delivery techniques
- Classroom training aids
- Learner needs
- Learning styles
- Fault detection and correction
- Vocabulary and phraseology

Driving Legislation (25 questions)

- Drivers' hours regulations
- Driver records
- Accident/incident procedures
- Speed limits
- Drink driving
- Drug driving
- Medical fitness
- Eyesight requirements
- Driver licensing
- Graduated fixed penalties and enforcement
- Vehicle safety/roadworthiness
- Insurance
- Stowaways (clandestine entrants)
- Audible warning devices
- Load safety

Highway Code (25 questions)

- Pedestrian crossings
- Road markings and signs
- Reversing
- Traffic signals
- Adverse weather
- Motorway driving
- Stopping distances
- Parking
- Observation
- Vehicle breakdowns
- Signals
- Rights of way
- Vehicle controls
- Road procedures
- Rail crossings

Eco-safe Driving and Testing (25 questions)

- Vehicle fault identification
- Vulnerable road users
- Headroom
- Vehicle loading
- Driving behaviour
- Braking
- Driver wellbeing
- Road procedures
- Fuel efficiency
- Aerodynamics
- Driving processes
- Observations
- DVSA test administration
- DVSA practical test – reversing test
- Test vehicle load requirements
- Testing certification
- Examining marking criteria

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It is recommended that the following books and documents form part of the revision for this test:

- The Official Highway Code - <https://www.gov.uk/browse/driving/highway-code-road-safety>
- GV262: Drivers' Hours and Tachograph Rules – Goods Vehicles - <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/drivers-hours-goods-vehicles>
- Become a lorry or bus driver- <https://www.gov.uk/become-lorry-bus-driver>
- Department of Transport - Know Your Traffic Signs - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/know-your-traffic-signs>
- DVSA Guide to Maintaining Roadworthiness - https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/321988/guide-to-maintaining-roadworthiness.pdf
- The Official DVSA Guide to Driving Goods Vehicles
- The Official DVSA Theory Test for Drivers of Large Vehicles
- Driver CPC – The Official DVSA Guide for Professional Goods Vehicle Drivers
- INDG379: Health and Safety in Road Haulage - <http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg379.pdf>
- Transport Safety – An Operator's Guide to Safe Loading and Transport by the Health and Safety Laboratory
- The Driving Instructor's Handbook.

