Douglas Learner Drivers Syllabus - Extract

Your instructor will guide you through all the subjects on the driving syllabus (see below). Each subject on the syllabus will be discussed individually and you'll be taken around routes to gain experience dealing with each of these driving subjects.

When you make mistakes your driving instructor will discuss these mistakes with you, explain how you can correct these mistakes and give you the chance to try again so you can improve your driving. It is productive to make mistakes so don't get upset when you do. Everyone makes mistakes when learning a new skill, it is perfectly normal, and it is to be expected. We consider mistakes as an opportunity to learn and improve your driving skills – the more you overcome now, the better equipped you are to manage the risks of the road as a full license holder.

When you have completed the driving syllabus (Level 4) and you are consistently driving safely, responsibly and independently (without any help or guidance from your driving instructor) then you'll be ready to take your driving test.

After each lesson we will review together your progress and agree on a current level as outlined below. This will also be the time to agree on aims for the next series of lessons. THESE WILL BE RECORDED AND SHARED THROUGH TOTAL DRIVE APP.

Level 0 – Not started.

Level 1 – I can do this with full instruction from my driving instructor.

Level 2 – I can do this with significant prompts from my instructor.

Level 3 – I can do this with minimal prompts.

Level 4 – I can do this independently.

Throughout your lesson the following terms will be used to communicate to your instructor how confident you are/what input you need to tackle upcoming hazards. There will always be time to discuss fully thoughts and feelings around these when the car is stationary, but your instructor will always check in on the approach (when variables are apparent) to ensure your confidence and safety.

Instructor: "What input would you like from me for the upcoming....?"

Student: "Step by step"

Or

Student: "Prompts"

Or

Student: "On my own"

It is important to note that you are never 'on your own' in a lesson situation and, if your instructor reads that you are becoming overwhelmed/hesitant or have made an error which could lead to an unsafe situation, they will intervene by prompting correction or full instruction to ensure the safety of all road users.

Learning to Drive – Douglas Learner Driving Syllabus (Website Extract)

Basic Skills					
	Level 0	**Level 1**	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Level 4**
Cockpit Controls & Safety Checks					
Moving Off Safely					
On the level					
Uphill					
Downhill					
At an angle (behind a parked car)					
In a busy two way street					
In a one way street from left to right					
MSPSL					
Stop Safely					
On the level					
Uphill					
Downhill					
Close and parallel to kerb					
S.C.A.L.P					
One way street					
MSPSL					
Changing Gear					
Up in sequence					
Down in sequence					
Selective gear change down					
Selective gear change up					

Changing gears effectively downhill					