

Pull up on the right, and move off

This is one of the new manoeuvres that has been introduced to the driving test. It has been based on real life driving situations. All drivers regarding how many years experience can relate to this situation.

Example.

You are driving along the road, and you see a shop you want to pop in to buy something. There are no parking spaces on the left hand side of the road. However, there are a couple of spaces on the right hand side of the road, right outside the shop. You pull up on the side of the road, secure the car and step out on to the pavement. You then go into the shop and buy your things.

When you come out of the shop with your goods, you notice that a car has parked up right in front of yours. For you to move off, you need to reverse back enough to see if it is clear and safe to pull out and get back on to the left side of the road. You reverse back approximately 2 car lengths to give you enough room to see, and move off safely.

Once you see it is safe to proceed, you get back to the left side of the road, and continue on normal driving.

So let's break this down into 3 steps:

Pull up on the right hand side of the road where safe and convenient.

1. **Mirrors** - Interior mirror and right door mirror. Also check ahead to make sure there are no vehicles heading towards you.
2. **Signal** - Give a right signal if appropriate.
3. **Manoeuvre** - Move over to the right side of the road, making sure you are parallel and close to the kerb (a tyres width distance).
4. **Secure the car** - Handbrake on, Gearbox in neutral, cancel signal, and feet off the pedals.

Reverse back approximately 2 car lengths whilst keeping relatively close to the kerb.

1. **Prepare** - Clutch down, put car in reverse. Slowly raise the clutch to find your biting point. Once biting point is found. FEET STILL.
2. **Observe** - A full all round check must be made. Start from checking over your right shoulder, and check all around to over your left shoulder. Once checks are done, look out the back window (directly out the back window, not use a mirror).
3. **Move** - Take the handbrake off. Using a combination of the light biting point of the clutch and the foot brake, make the car move very slowly backwards. All round checks must be made to ensure the car is not either at risk to others, and not drifting away or towards the kerb. If any adjustments are to be made, the steering wheel is to be turned only slightly. Turning the wheel too much will have a detrimental effect to the manoeuvre. Stop the car after moving 2 car lengths.

4. **Secure the car** - Handbrake on, Gearbox in neutral, cancel signal, and feet off the pedals.

Move off when safe.

1. **Prepare** - Clutch down, put car in first gear. Slowly raise the clutch to find your biting point. Once biting point is found. FEET STILL.
2. **Observe** - A full all round check must be made. Start from checking over your right shoulder, and check all around to over your left shoulder. Once checks are done, hand on handbrake and one final check over your left shoulder.
3. **Move** - Handbrake off, slowly raise the clutch more to make the car move off. As you start moving off, steer to the right hand side of the road checking ahead and behind over your left shoulder until safely on the correct side of the road. progress normally to normal driving position and appropriate speed.