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#### VEHICLE COMPONENTS AND CONTROLS MANUAL

#### General

The aim of this document is to familiarise a learner driver with the major visual components of a motor vehicle or motor cycle. The intention is also to assist the learner driver to identify the controls that needs to be used in conjunction to complete a certain manoeuvre or action.

The controls/components of the following vehicles are covered in this guide.

- Motor cycles (Electric Scooter and motor cycle)
- Light motor vehicles (Manual and automatic gear box)
- Heavy Motor Vehicle (Manual and automatic gear box)

#### Components and controls of a Motor cycle











# **Identification of Controls**

Component Number	Description of Component
1	Gear lever
2	Clutch
3	Left and right rear view mirrors
4	Front Brake
5	Throttle
6	Indicator light switch
7	Rear brake (operated by foot)
8	Handle bars
9	Fuel tank

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### SAMPLE QUESTIONS

QUESTION	ANSWER
To regulate the fuel supply to the engine you will make use of the	5
In the case of a motorcycle the lever that applies the front brake and activates the stop lamp is	4
On a motorcycle the lever that applies the rear brake is	7
The following controls are used in combination to bring the motorcycle to a complete standstill. () .	Front and rear brakes no 4 and 7

The following control is used to increase or decrease the speed of a	
motorcycle	5
The following controls are used to control the speed of a motorcycle.	4 + 5 + 7
The switch to activate indicator signals and thereby to communicate your	
intentions, is	6
The twist grip that controls the engine speed, is	5
The following controls are used to change gears	1 and 2
The following control is used to indicate that you are going to turn	6
To ride faster, you must use control	5
To stop, you must use the following controls	4 and 7
In order to turn the motor cycle, you must use control	8
<ul> <li>When controls 4 and 7 are used, the distance it takes you to stop your motor cycle is</li> <li>(i) longer on a wet road than on a dry road.</li> <li>(ii) longer if you ride at a higher speed.</li> <li>(iii) longer if carrying a passenger.</li> <li>SELECT THE CORRECT COMBINATION</li> </ul>	All of the options are correct
Which control is used by the rider of a motorcycle to monitor the traffic	
situation to the rear of the motorcycle?	3
Which control is used to disengage the engine from the gearbox?	2
Which control is used to check traffic to the rear?	3
Which control is used when the rider of a motorcycle wants to signal his intention to steer to the left?	6
Which controls must be used in combination immediately before coming to a standstill?	2 , 4 and 7
In order to negotiate a sharp turn in the road the following controls must be used	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8
Which lever is used to change the gears?	1

# Components and Controls of a Light Motor vehicle

# Light Motor Vehicle - Manual gearbox



## Identification of Controls

Component Number	Description of Component
1	Centre rear view mirror
2	Window wiper
3	Left and right rear view mirrors
4	Steering wheel
5	Indicator light switch
6	Gear level
7	Hand brake
	Note that some vehicle might have the hand brake as a foot operated control (e.g. Mercedes-Benz)
8	Clutch
9	Brake
10	Accelerator
11	Horn

Light Motor Vehicle - Automatic Gear Box



## **Identification of Controls**

Component No	Description of Component
1	Centre rear view mirror
	Note: The driver must always first check the mirrors to be aware of the
	traffic situation behind him or her. This will assist the driver to avoid
	possible unsafe situations.
2	Window wiper
3	Left and right rear view mirrors
4	Steering wheel
5	Indicator light switch
6	Gear lever– Note: The gear lever for an automatic vehicle operates
	differently from a manual gear box system.
7	Parking brake-Note: that some vehicles might have the parking brake as a
	foot operated control (e.g. Mercedes-Benz)
8	Automatic vehicles do not have a clutch control.
9	Brake
10	Accelerator
11	Horn

## SAMPLE QUESTIONS

QUESTION	ANSWER
Which control is not found in an automatic vehicle?	8
Which control would you use to-look what is on the right hand rear-side of your vehicle?	3
The following control is used to accelerate your vehicle	10
What control is used to ensure that your parked vehicle does not move	7
In order to change a gear, you must use control/s	6 and 8.
To stop your vehicle you must use number …	9
<ul> <li>When braking the distance it takes the driver of a motor vehicle to stop is</li> <li>(i) longer on a wet road than on a dry road.</li> <li>(ii) longer if the vehicle is travelling at a higher speed.</li> <li>(iii) longer if the vehicle is loaded.</li> <li>SELECT THE CORRECT COMBINATION</li> </ul>	All of the options are correct
The control that assists the driver when engaging or disengaging a gear is?	8
The speed of the vehicle can be increased by control?	10
Which control is used before applying the brake in order to slow down or stop.	1
Which control is used before changing direction of a vehicle?	5
Which control is used before changing the speed of the vehicle?	1
Which control is used to advise other road users of your intention to steer to the	5
left or right, or to turn to the left or right. The following control is used to alert other road users in order to avoid a collision?	11
Which control is used to avoid the vehicle stalling just before coming to a complete standstill?	8
In order to bring the vehicle to a complete standstill, what control is used?	9
Which control is used to change the direction of the vehicle?	4
Which control is used to clean the front windscreen of the vehicle?	2
Which control is used to decrease speed or stop?	9
Which control is used to keep the vehicle stationary after parking?	7
Which control is used to see what is to the rear of the vehicle?	1
Which control is used to select a gear?	6
The control used to steer the vehicle to the left or right is?	4
The following control is used to turn	4
When driving in the rain the following control is used	2
Which control is used when parking and leaving a vehicle unattended?	7
The control that must be used to ensure the vehicle remains stationary is?	7
Which control(s) is used to stop the vehicle in an emergency?	9
Which control(s) is/are used to see what is to the rear and sides of the vehicle?	1 and 3
Which control(s) is/are used when changing from one gear to another?	8 and 6
Which controls must you use when there is a sharp turn in the road?	1, 4, 6, 8, 9 and 10 only



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# Heavy Motor Vehicle - Manual gearbox



# **Identification of Controls**

Component No	Description of Component
1	Centre rear view mirror
2	Window wiper
3	Left and right rear view mirrors
4	Steering wheel
5	Indicator light switch
6	Gear level – Note: The gear level for an automatic vehicle operates
	differently from a manual gear box system.
7	Hand brake
8	Clutch control.
9	Brake
10	Accelerator
11	Horn



Clutch



SAMPLE QUESTIONS

QUESTION	ANSWER
Control no 8 is used to	change gears.
Control no. 1 is the	rearview mirror (interior).
Control no. 2 is the	windscreen wipers.
Control no. 4 is the	steering wheel.
Control no. 5 is the	direction indicator.
Control no. 6 is the	gear lever.
The following control assists the driver when changing gears:	8
The following control is used to change the direction of the	
vehicle:	4
The following control is used to keep a parked vehicle stationary:	7
The following control is used to select the appropriate gear of the vehicle:	6
The following is a foot control	9
The following is not a hand control	10
The following is used to indicate the intention to change	
direction:	5
The following is used to monitor traffic:	3
Γο accelerate your vehicle, you must use number	10
To bring a vehicle to a complete standstill control nois used	9
	5
To bring the speed down or stop the vehicle completely the following control is used:	9
To ensure that your parked vehicle does not move, use number 	7
To increase and decrease the speed of the vehicle, the following control is used:	10
To indicate that you are going to turn you must use number	5
To keep the windscreen clear during rainy conditions, the	
following is used	2
Γο monitor traffic to the rear the following is used	3
Γο select a gear, you must use numbers	6 and 8
To stop your vehicle, you must use number	9
To turn your vehicle, number is used. When control number 9 is used, the distance it takes the driver of a motor vehicle to stop it is	4
<ul> <li>(i) longer on a wet road than on a dry road.</li> <li>(ii) longer if the vehicle is travelling at a higher speed.</li> <li>(iii) longer if the vehicle is loaded.</li> </ul>	
SELECT THE CORRECT COMBINATION	All of the above are correct
When intending to change direction the following controls are used:	1+3+5
When you stop on a steep incline and want to prevent the vehicle from rolling backwards, you use control(s) no	7
Which controls must you use when there is a sharp turn in the	
road?	1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9 and 10 only





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