Rules of the Road Facts List



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| Speed Limits |
| 1 | The national speed limit for cars and motorcycles on single carriageway roads is 60 mph |
| 2 | The national speed limit for cars and motorcycles on motorways and dual carriageways is 70 mph |
| 3 | The speed limit for cars towing on single carriageway roads is 50 mph |
| 4 | The speed limit for cars towing on motorways and dual carriageways is 60 mph |
| 5 | On a road with streetlights, but no speed limit signs, the speed limit is usually 30 mph |
| Box Junctions and Crossroads |
| 6 | At an unmarked crossroads no one has priority |
| 7 | You may stop and wait in a box junction when oncoming traffic prevents you from turning right |
| Parking |
| 8 | The nearest you can park to a junction is 10 metres (32 feet) |
| 9 | You must not park on a pedestrian crossing or on zig zag lines |
| 10 | Never park in a disabled only parking space unless permitted i.e. you are a blue badge holder. |
| Reversing |
| 11 | You must not reverse for longer than necessary |
| 12 | Never reverse from a side road onto a main road |
| 13 | When reversing, you are more of a hazard to other road users when you steer, and the front of your car swings out |
| Pedestrian Crossings |
| 14 | At a Zebra Crossing, pedestrians have priority. You must not wave them across the road, let them make their own decision  |
| 15 | Toucan Crossings can be use by cyclists and pedestrians |
| 16 | Pelican Crossings have a flashing amber light. This means you must give way to pedestrians who are still crossing, but you can continue if the crossing is clear |
| 17 | Puffin Crossings have a sensor |
| 18 | Pegasus Crossings are for pedestrians and horse riders |
| Bus and Cycle Lanes |
| 19 | You must not drive in a bus lane during its hours of operation. The hours of operation will be marked on the bus lane road sign. |
| 20 | You must not drive in a cycle lane marked by a solid white line during its period of operation. |
| 21 | A cycle lane marked by a broken white line means you should not drive in, or park in the lane unless it is unavoidable. |
| Other |
| 22 | When waiting at a level crossing if the red lights continue to flash after a train has passed, you must continue to wait |
| 23 | If a car overtakes you at night and you have your headlights on full beam, you should switch them to dipped as soon as the vehicle passes you |