

New Year's Driving Resolutions

Happy New Year 2016!



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Five New Year Driving Resolutions



Be sure to keep your fluid levels up...

To check your car's fluid levels you will need to be brave and look under the bonnet. The fluid levels you will need to check are: Oil, Transmission fuel for automatics, Brake fluid, Power steering fluid, Coolant and Windscreen washer fluid.

New Year's resolution – Read your car manual for the fluid levels ideal for your vehicle.



Lose some weight...

Get rid of all those unnecessary items you have in your car. They all add excess weight, and remember the heavier your car is, the more fuel you will use getting from A to B.

New Year's resolution – Don't use your car as a storage facility.



Keep it clean...

Make a good impression when giving friends a lift by not having a car full of rubbish. Why not keep a bin in the front and empty it frequently. Treat your car, vacuum the carpets and use an air freshener to keep it smelling sweeter.

New Year's resolution – Give your car a spruce up more regularly.



Don't get all down and deflated...

You really should check your tyres at least once a month and before you head off on a long journey.

When you are checking your tyre pressures you should also check for any signs of general wear and tear. Also check for any damage such as cuts, lumps or bulges.

New Year's resolution – Ensure your tyres are inflated to the pressure level recommended by your vehicle manufacturer.



Get your body back in shape...

Look after your body so rust does not set in! Simple bodywork maintenance will help to protect your car from the worst the British weather can throw at you.

Regular cleaning and polishing of your body work can help to reduce fading, damage and improve the resale value of your vehicle.

New Year's resolution – Don't ignore bumps and scratches.

The Top 10 Most Annoying Driving Habits

10 Speeding

This is something we all tend to do from time to time, but it is reckless speeding in built-up areas that causes the most accidents and road rage.



9 Bad parking

Drivers who take up more than one space, park diagonally, or park so close that you cannot get in and out of your vehicle.



8 Pulling out without looking

Don't put the responsibility for avoiding a crash in the hands of other drivers. Make sure you check carefully in both directions before pulling out from a junction.



7 Tailgating

Continually driving too close behind another car is dangerous and very annoying. Leave at least a 2 second gap to the car in front, and 4 seconds when it's raining.



6 Using mobile phones

It is surprising that this is only no. 6 in the list of annoying driving habits, as it is one of the most dangerous, as it takes your eyes off the road.



5 Very erratic driving

Cutting in and out of lanes, heavy braking and acceleration rather than proceeding smoothly, unnerves other road users and can easily cause accidents.



4 Bad roundabout etiquette

Slamming on the brakes, driving around in the wrong lane, pulling out when there is someone coming, and pulling on to a roundabout when your exit is blocked and clogging it up are all very annoying habits.



3 Driving with fog lights on when not needed

Other drivers really hate it when other road users dazzle them with their fog lights on when they aren't needed. They should only be used in visibility under 100m.



2 Poor lane discipline

Undertaking, hogging the middle lane, and veering across more than one lane at once are all annoyances for other drivers.



and finally...

1 Not indicating

Apparently, the most irritating bad driving habit is drivers who don't indicate. Without indicating, other drivers have no way of knowing what you are going to do. It's not just annoying, it is potentially dangerous and could lead to an accident.



Is your Duty of Care policy up to scratch?



Fact - driving is dangerous

Driving is the single most dangerous activity that you can ask an employee to undertake for you. Making sure that you have the necessary policies in place to cover your company in the event of an accident is a must for any business that has drivers out on the road. **More importantly, it is vital to ensure your drivers are as safe as possible on the road.**

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