

Who is this for?

Pass Plus is a national training scheme aimed at improving the skills of newly-qualified drivers and helping them drive more safely. The course can be taken at any time although it should be most useful to new drivers in the year after passing their test. You can find out more about the scheme at [gov.uk/pass-plus](https://www.gov.uk/pass-plus).

How much does it cost?

We offer a discount of £70 on the cost of Pass Plus to drivers aged 17-25 years who live, work or study in Wiltshire.

Prices generally range from £160 to £200, so check before you book.



PASS PLUS

Improving the skills of newly qualified drivers in Wiltshire



Who do I contact?

Road Safety Team, Wiltshire Council,
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roadsafetydriving@wiltshire.gov.uk



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What is involved?

Pass Plus will build upon your existing skills and knowledge. It will teach you how to anticipate, plan for and deal with hazards and can help you to become more confident on the roads.

Pass Plus is made up of six modules:

- **Town driving**
Driving in town can be daunting: rush hour traffic, complicated junctions and traffic systems. Learn the skills to deal with all these and more.
- **All-weather driving**
Rain, fog, bright sunshine, snow and ice: find out how to drive safely in all the different weather conditions you'll face on the road.
- **Driving out of town**
Country roads can harbour all kinds of hazards, from sharp bends and potholes to farm vehicles and animals in the road.
- **Night driving**
Dealing with dazzle, judging distance and speed, using your lights correctly – these are just some of the areas covered.
- **Driving on dual carriageways**
To drive safely on fast, multi-lane roads you'll need all your skills of observation, concentration, anticipation and lane discipline.
- **Driving on motorways**
Motorways are like no other roads: learn how to drive on them safely and correctly under expert supervision.

All modules should be practical sessions, although local conditions may mean some are theory based. You'll normally spend at least 5.5 hours driving. You will not have to take a test at the end of the course, but you will be continually assessed. You must successfully complete all the modules in the course to the required standard.

How do I book training and apply for the discount?

You will need to arrange training directly with an Approved Driving Instructor, who is registered for Pass Plus with the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA). You may choose to use the same Driving Instructor who taught you before you passed your test but check first that they are registered with DVSA and Wiltshire Council. We can provide you with a list of local Pass Plus-registered instructors, or you can contact the DVSA direct to check an individual instructor. You'll need their name and ADI number.

To apply for the £70 discount, you should complete the application form and return to roadsafetydriving@wiltshire.gov.uk. Once your application has been approved, we will send you a unique registration code which you should share with your Driving Instructor. You will need to pay them their fee for the training, minus the £70, which they will invoice us for once your training is complete.

What happens next?

You'll get a training report form from your instructor when you've reached the required standard in all modules. You and your instructor must sign the form.

Once you have completed Pass Plus you may be able to get a discount on your car insurance premium. The level of discount depends on the insurance company and not all insurers offer Pass Plus discounts. Check with insurers that you can still get a discount if you passed your practical driving test more than a year ago. You might be able to put the discount on hold for up to two years if you don't have a car at the moment – check with the insurance company first.

You will need your Pass Plus certificate to qualify for an insurance discount. Contact the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) Pass Plus team with a copy of your Pass Plus report to apply for your certificate passplus@dvsa.gov.uk

You may wish to go on and take an advanced driver course to further improve your awareness, safety and driving skills. Organisations such as Wiltshire RoSPA Advanced Drivers and Riders, wiltshireroadar.co.uk and Somerset and Wiltshire Advanced Motorists, iamroadsmart.com/groups/swam, can provide further advice and training. If you drive for work, check with your employer/fleet manager if they offer any further training themselves or might contribute towards the cost of external training.