

Thames Valley Group of Advanced Motorists
Automatic Gearbox and Other Transmission Systems

Here are some useful tips in advance of your allocation to your observer:

1. Know **your** car's system which you'll find in the Manufacturers Handbook.
2. What 'drive modes' does it have? Sport, Manual, Eco, Power etc.
3. How do you access these? e.g. paddles, gearstick, separate switches etc.

Your observer will assist you with **when** it is appropriate to use them, but **you** must know **how** to operate them.

A Test driven solely in drive (D) will not be viewed favourably by the Examiner as you need to demonstrate your appropriate use of gears.

Electric and Hybrid Cars

Know what is available on your car and how to activate it. This will be in the Manufacturers Handbook.

Adjustable regenerative braking settings (e.g. Mitsubishi PHEV) – again the driver must know how and when to employ them, so refer to the Manufacturers Handbook.