

Thank you for attending the Parking Lot lesson.

Now that you have completed this first step, your in car instructor has provided some instructions. Please work on these skills so that you will be ready to progress to your next in-car lesson. Remember your lesson is recorded and you can view it at home. (Practice, not just driving from point A TO B)

Next step:

Your next lesson was booked in the car (or will be booked by the office over the next few days). If you have to cancel that lesson, please do so through the portal. After it's cancelled, you need to contact me to rebook that lesson. Leaving a voicemail is usually not effective, please ensure you contact me directly. Best time is in the evening after 830 pm.

*******If you did not complete your homework, you will need to follow the instructions on the website under "students page"**

Don't forget:

- All lessons are booked by the office (in the car on your next in-car lesson).
- You can always cancel a lesson via your portal at no charge as long as adequate notice is provided. Please read/review the login page on the website so you are clear on how to cancel lessons or how to proceed if you become ill.
- **We recommend 2 to 5 hours of "Practice" between lessons.**
- Practicing of the skills is a crucial part of learning to drive. All lessons are recorded and reviewing them at home after your lessons will be very beneficial.
 - You can find how to watch the video on my website. **TheDrivingSchool.ca**, click on **MORE**, click on **IN-Car Camera**.
<http://thedrivingschool.ca/in-car-camera.html>

Remember that I am always available to answer questions. (look for the Live Chat Option)

**The best time to call is after
8:30 pm.**

Thank you,

Gerry Picard

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Pre Driving / Circle Check

Before you get into your car, we recommend that you do a quick “walk around” to make sure all is well with your car. This should not take you more than 10 seconds.

Things to look for:

- Flat or under-inflated tires
- License plate: missing or expired validation sticker
- Damage to your car
- Any leaking fluids

-Anything behind your car (this should not be an issue as you should always back into your parking spot, but if you happen to drive into the parking space, make sure there is nothing behind your car like pets, kids, toys, bicycles)

**Once in awhile, check to make sure all lights are working:
(might need a friend for this one)**

Turn on your lights and check:

- Headlights
- Brake lights (need 2 people)
- Signal light (fast flashing means one of the two light bulbs are burnt out)
- Reverse lights (white in color)
- License plate lights (these are common to burn out and not be noticed. Burnt out plate lights give the police an excuse to pull you over. They cost about \$3 each to replace or you can pay a \$110 fine.

Once in your car, start it first. Your car requires one minute to warm up before you drive on a “cold start”. Next, check your dashboard (instrument lights) and make sure you cover all the features and safety options your vehicle has: example ABS, ESP..... Understand what to do if a light comes on and stays on when you start your car or when you are driving. The low oil pressure light is RED and a red light means: RED IS A DEAD CAR!

TURN OFF THE CAR. At this point, locate the owner's manual and go over some of the lights on your instrument panel.

Next, play with every button and gadget in your vehicle. Knowing how to use your wipers and heater will help as this can be a huge distraction when you are driving. NEVER adjust things while driving. My recommendation is to pull over to address any concerns.

Understand how to turn your headlights on and off and how to turn your high beam lights on.

Adjust:

Seat-----Mirrors-----Seat belt.

Make sure you work on this as I will go over this on your next in car lesson.