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## Practice Drive 3

### Turning at lights

#### Aim:

To develop a good understanding of the different sorts of turns at lights and be able to safely navigate through the intersection while obeying all road rules.

*It is important that the Supervising Driver not tell the learner what to do (unless instruction is needed). If required, provide feedback after the turn. The intent is to build self-reliant drivers who make independent, safe decisions.*

#### References:

The Driving Companion. Pages 12 and 13. System of Car Control

The Driving Companion. Unit 3: Task 20 – Negotiating traffic lights.

The Driving Companion. Unit 4: Task 28 – Negotiating traffic lights in traffic.

#### Drive length:

1 x 60 mins approx. (Vary based on student's ability to turn correctly and safely while following road rules without assistance).

#### Drive plan:

Navigate through the different configurations of traffic lights safely without assistance while following all road rules. Learner should be able to identify the type of turn on approach (using signage, the traffic lights and lane markings) to make the appropriate turn.

Learner must check mirrors (centre mirror then side mirror) before indicating. Learner must indicate as early as practicable in line with the System of Car Control.

Learner should scan intersection to ensure it is safe (left and right) before entering.



The types of turns are:

- Right turn on green filter arrow.
- Right turn on solid green. Student to move into the intersection and turn right with care, waiting for a gap in the traffic or the light to change stopping the oncoming traffic. If learner is the second car, must wait behind the line until the intersection is clear.
- Left turn on green filter arrow.
- Left turn using slip lane. Ensure learner watches for pedestrians before moving the car over the pedestrian markings. Learner to Give Way to all traffic before making turn.
- Left turn at "Box intersection". Where the learner must cross the line and enter the intersection before turning. Learner to obey traffic lights.
- Left turn with turning lane. Learner to watch for pedestrians before moving the car over the lane markings. Learner must drive up the turn lane (not wait at intersection like a slip lane) and not merge across until they get to the dotted line. Learner must not cross the solid line.
- Left turn with sign: "Left Turn on Red Permitted After Stopping". Learner to treat traffic lights as a Stop Sign. Learner must stop before the line. Once done, learner to move up to be able to see to the right, and if clear, complete turn on Red light.

## Check Points

Learner should be able to identify and negotiate the intersection safely and without assistance. If the learner asks what do or when to go, advise and repeat until all traffic lights can be managed independently.