

What happens at the standards check

A Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency examiner will watch you give a normal driving lesson to your pupil.

The examiner will look for evidence that you meet the national standards for driver and rider training

What you'll be marked on

You'll be marked on 17 areas of competence that are grouped into 3 categories:

- lesson planning
- risk management
- teaching and learning skills

The 17 areas of competence are listed in the ADI standards check report form, which the examiner will fill in during your check.

You'll get a score from 0 to 3 for each of the 17 competencies, which are added up to work out your grade.

After you give the lesson, the examiner will discuss your performance and give you your grade. This will take about 15 minutes.

You can take your trainer or mentor with you, but they can't take part in the lesson.

Your standards check result

You'll get your grade, along with your completed standards check form at the end of your standards check.

Total score	Grade	Description
0-30	Fail	Your performance is unsatisfactory
31-42	Grade B	You'll stay on the approved driving instructors (ADI) register
43-51	Grade A	You have shown a high standard of instruction and you'll stay on the ADI register

You'll automatically fail if:

- you get a score of 7 or less in the 'risk management' category
- the examiner stops the lesson because you've put yourself or someone else in danger

If you fail the standards check

You'll have up to 2 more attempts to pass the standards check.

If you fail 3 times:

- you'll be removed from the approved driving instructors (ADI) register
- you'll have to retake the ADI tests to join the ADI register again

1st Instructor Training can offer you advice and training on the Standards Check Test, please contact us for details.