Chapter 3

The Driving Task

Steering, Backing and Turns

**Posture and Steering**

* Good \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ behind the wheel is important.
* Good posture makes for better \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in an emergency.
* Sit erect, comfortably gripping the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the steering wheel with both hands. Keep \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ up.
* Don’t grip \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but keep a firm grip.
* Always keep \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the wheel, except when necessary to remove one for signaling or other necessary operation.

**Steering Hand-Over-Hand**

* Method in which a driver’s hands \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when turning.
* To turn right, use your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to push the wheel up, around, and down. At the same time bring your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ across left forearm to grip wheel on far side. Then use your right hand to pull the side of the wheel up, around, and down. Reverse these for a left turn.

**Hand Position on the Steering Wheel**

* Picture the wheel as a **clock** and place hand at following positions:
* Hands should be positioned at “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”, “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”, or “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”
* Any of these positions provide you the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in an emergency.
* It is recommended to use \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ if your vehicle has driver \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* With any of the hand positions, always rest thumbs \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Starting from a Parking Place**

* When backing from a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, look over your shoulder, as well as, your rear and side view mirrors.
* Wait until clear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into traffic.
* Signal your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Enter traffic in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and remain in that lane until it is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to change into another lane

**Backing**

* When backing in a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the left hand should be at the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ position.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ should be positioned so that the shoulders can turn.
* When backing to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, use both hands on the steering wheel and look over your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the direction you are turning.
* Make quick glances to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as your front end swings out.
* Keep looking \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ until you come to a complete \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

**On the Road**

* You must drive within a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ without weaving from one lane to another or straddling the lane markings.
* You are in a traffic lane when driving on any \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Often lanes are not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but they are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ whether marked or not.

**Rules for Turns**

* Plan and prepare for the turn. Don’t make the decision to turn at the last moment.
* Be in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ well before turn.
* Signal the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you plan to turn. Signal your intention at least \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ feet before making a turn (and before you begin braking).
* Reduce your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and check for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in your turning path. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ have the right of way over the motor vehicle.
* Reduce your speed before making the turn.
* Turn into the proper \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Always turn into the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ legal \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Make sure in advance that it is safe to turn. Check to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for cars and pedestrians. Watch for situations developing in the street you will be entering.
* Make sure your signal \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at the completion of the turn.

**Turning from 4-Lane Highways**

**RIGHT TURN**

* Enter the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ well in advance of the turn and make a tight turn into the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the cross street.

**LEFT TURN**

* Move to the lane nearest the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or traffic divider and turn from the inside lane. Avoid a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ during the turn.
* Enter the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ just to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the centerline.
* Some intersections are marked to permit turns from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lane and you may make your turns as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or pavement markings.

**3 Point Turns**

* When making a three-point turnabout, turning your vehicle around so that you are driving in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the direction that you were traveling, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ be made without \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ other traffic.
* Normally permitted where your vehicle can be seen for a great distance and where traffic is such that making a 3-point turn would not constitute a hazard.
* Not permitted on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, near the top of a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, in front of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or in an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* They are governed by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and there may not be a sign to warn you.

**3 Point Turn Process**

* Check traffic, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as close to right edge of the curb as possible. Do not run off the roadway. Check both directions and make sure you have a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ second gap.
* Signal for a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ turn. Check left mirror. Look over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ shoulder. (1) Turn wheel sharply to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and move vehicle slowly across the opposite lane.
* Stop the vehicle just short of the curb. (2) Shift to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Turn the wheel sharply back to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ rapidly to the right. Back the vehicle just short of the opposite curb. (3) Shift to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Turn wheel sharply to the left and move into the proper lane. (Remember to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ if necessary)

**Curves**

* Slow down before entering curves because of the danger of running over the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or leaving the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* A driver should enter a curve \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to enable him to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ slightly when rounding the curve.