



Bryan's Motorcycle Training Newsletter



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Welcome to Bryan's first newsletter, which we hope you find interesting and informative. Your thoughts, questions and feedback would be appreciated—our email is kabryan@btconnect.com and our phone number is 01782 595000.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Changing times ahead

1st Oct. 2008 will see the introduction of the new practical motorcycle test. We are expecting a high demand of customers wanting to take the test prior to the above date.

With this in mind it would be a good idea to plan your training early as the waiting times are sure to go up and don't forget you have to pass the theory test before you can book a practical test.

As we approach the big bang date our training courses will be adapted to suit the requirements of the new test, so don't worry if you can't get in before the date.

Our training site is one of the top sites in the UK and is fully equipped to take care of the new test and as we have already made the investment our costs will be remaining the same. So that's good news for our customers.

NEW TEST

On 1st July Bryan's rider training held the first public event of the new motorcycle test which is due to come into force from the 1st October 2008. The day offered a complete insight on how the test will work, with experts from both the training and testing organisations on hand to answer all questions.

The changes only apply to the practical test, which will consist of off road manoeuvring, as well as on road riding. The off road exercises include-

On and of the stand - Wheel the machine - Slalom - Figure of eight - 30 kph circuit ride - 50 kph avoidance - Controlled stop - U turn - Slow ride - 30 kph circuit ride - 50 kph emergency stop.

The off road section is followed by a forty - minute on road ride (as present, but excludes the U turn and emergency stop).

To meet the new test requirements, riders will undergo the following training:

- Compulsory Basic Training (CBT) (as present).
- On road training 125 cc and/or 500 cc to test standard (as present).
- Theory test to be taken at any time prior to the practical test (as present).
- Trainees will be able to book a fifteen minute time slot at the test centre to practice the off road manoeuvres prior to taking the test. (optional – as these will have been already covered at our own training site).



On the 16th June we took seven trainees over to the new test centre in Shrewsbury. They were considered to be test ready and not laid eyes on the new test. Six out of seven passed with only having the fifteen minute training slot prior to the mock test. The new test isn't that daunting after all!

In 2005 Bryan's introduced a schools' project to help 15 & 16 year olds to get a better understanding of what CBT is all about. The idea is backed by Stoke-On-Trent City Council Road Safety team and it involves most senior schools in the area. The course lasts for three hours and it starts with a short DVD called Get the Message followed by a theory session on safety clothing and familiarisation with a scooter. The students are then kitted out ready for the practical session where they can get involved in machine handling skills. Finally the students watch a short video on a young scooter rider out on the road for the first time. Courses run from Nov. to Mar.

Schools' programme proves to be a big hit



