

Approved Driving Instructor Qualification Process

1. Apply to become a driving instructor - £6 for Criminal Record Disclosure
2. ADI Part 1 Test - £81. This is a theory test. It's the first of 3 tests you have to pass to qualify as an ADI.

The test takes around 1 hour 45 minutes and includes:

- multiple-choice questions
- hazard perception

You must pass both parts at the same time to pass the test. There's no limit to how many times you can take the test. You can take the test in English or Welsh.

3. ADI Part 2 Test - £111. This is a test of your driving ability. It's the second of 3 tests you have to pass to qualify as an ADI.

The test takes around one hour and includes:

- an eyesight test
- vehicle safety questions
- a test of your driving ability

4. ADI Part 3 Test - £111. This is a test of your ability to instruct pupils. It's the last of 3 tests you have to pass to qualify as an ADI.

The test takes around one hour and includes an assessment of:

- core competencies
- instructional techniques
- instructor characteristics

The examiner will assess these by playing the role of 2 different pupils.

5. Application to the register of approved driving instructors

Approved Driving Instructor (ADI) fees

Approved driving instructor (ADI) test and registration fees are set by the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) - fees for driving instructor training vary and are set by training organisations, please see below;

ADI qualifying test fees

You have to pass the qualifying tests before you register as an ADI with DVSA.

Fee type	Cost
ADI part 1 test	£81
ADI part 2 test	£111
ADI part 3 test	£111

You have to pay the full amount again if you don't pass any of the tests, and want to take another one.

ADI registration and licence fees

You have to pay a fee to join the ADI register, get a trainee licence and renew your registration every 4 years.

Fee type	Cost
First ADI certificate	£300
Trainee driving instructor licence	£140
Renewal or re-registration	£300
Lost licence replacement	£3

Wright**Start** ADI training fees

Fee type	Cost
ADI part 1 test	£FREE
ADI part 2 test	£35 p/h, approximately 6 hours depending on current driving ability.
ADI part 3 test	£35 p/h, 40 hours minimum = £1,400
Total Approximate Training Costs	£1,610
Total Overall Qualifying Costs	£2,213

All fees are approximate and need to be made in advance of any training session with payment taken in cash or online.