DRIVING IN TOWNS

Lorries and larger vehicles will need both lanes to turn on smaller roads. Remember to give them plenty of room. Don't wave pedestrians across the road, let them make their own choices on crossing - you could be inviting them into danger. Watch for cyclists and motorcyclists filtering up beside the traffic. Remember that they could be filtering up either side of your vehicle.

Don't block access to dropped kerbs by parking or pulling over in front of one.

Keep a door's width away and drive slowly when passing parked vehicles. You must not enter a box junction until your exit is clear. However, you may enter the box and wait when you want to turn right, and are only stopped from doing so by oncoming traffic, or by other vehicles waiting to turn right.

You can also stay safe in towns by:

- Maintaining a speed that allows you to stop comfortably in the distance you can see to be clear on your side of the road.
- Not losing concentration when crawling in traffic. Avoid low-speed collisions by staying alert for any developing hazards - even at low speeds.

In-town driving may be at lower speeds, but hazards such as an increased number of pedestrians and stationary vehicles mean that all drivers need to remain vigilant.

