

Parallel Park

Where

SCALP

Starting Point

Position

½ car width away

½ car length past

Parallel to parked vehicle

Signal

Left indicator – when stopping (if required)

Reverse lights – ASAP

1st Part

P – Prepare in reverse gear

O – Observe all round – look over left shoulder

M – Move – slowly – old mans walking speed

2nd Part

When backs of 2 vehicles are level

Observe up & down road – front will swing out

1 full turn to the left – whilst still moving slowly

3rd Part

When mirror is level with back of parked vehicle (45%)

1 full turn to the right – to straighten wheels

4th Part

When front of car is level with back of parked vehicle

(mirror across number plate)

1 full turn to the right – to swing front into kerb

5th Part

Just before parallel to kerb

1 full turn to the left – to straighten wheels

Finishing Position

100-200cm from kerb & parallel

Within 2 car lengths

Handbrake, neutral

Other Road Users (inc pedestrians)

Stop – allow to pass

Move on if another vehicle too close behind

Slow Speed – Good Observation