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Career Guide

THE BEST CAREER MOVE 1000's HAVE MADE

Become a Driving Instructor and you follow a well trodden path. Believe it or not the first professional driving lessons were given over one hundred years ago, back in 1910! Read on to discover if this is the career for you. Choose well and it will be a job for life.



About Us

One of the UK's fastest-growing and most trusted driving schools and instructor training organisations, My Four Wheels aims to raise standards across the industry. We work with **over 500 driving instructors,** support **around 900 trainees** through a dedicated **team of 30 office staff** across training, recruitment and operations. Our growth has been driven by doing things properly – honest advice, structured training, and ongoing support long after instructors qualify.

Built around people, not just training programmes

At My Four Wheels, we focus on building long-term driving instructor careers — not selling short-term courses. That means being clear and upfront before anyone commits, providing structured support throughout training, and continuing that support once instructors are qualified and on the road. We invest in people for the long term, which is why My Four Wheels continues to grow year on year and why so many instructors choose to stay with us.

About the Role

What does a driving instructor career look like?

Becoming a driving instructor offers the opportunity to build a flexible, self-employed career with strong long-term demand. Instructors work locally, manage their own diaries, and choose how many hours they work each week, quickly enjoying a regular pupil base that provides consistent, predictable income.

Why people choose this role

- **Control over working hours** – full-time or part-time to suit your lifestyle
- **Local, practical work** – typically working within your local area
- **Varied, people-focused role** – no two days are the same
- **Long-term demand** – learners will always need qualified instructors
- **Income linked to effort** – the ability to increase earnings by working more hours

Experience and training

No previous teaching experience is required. All instructors complete the official ADI qualification process, with full training and support provided throughout.

Typical earnings once qualified

£750 – £1,000+ per week, based on hours worked. Earnings vary depending on hours worked and location. A full earnings breakdown is shown on page 6.

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OUR RECRUITMENT PROCESS



Read the story

You should find this guide pretty comprehensive with all the basic information about becoming and being a driving instructor, and working with My Four Wheels in particular. Then:



Talk to someone - we call this your Discovery Call

We've made available a small team of advisors, all with many years of industry experience, to fill in the detail and answer all your questions. A discovery call is your chance to put us to the test and make sure this career ticks all your boxes. No decisions are expected at this stage, this is part of your fact finding and due diligence. **When you're ready to book your Discovery Call just contact the team member allocated in the accompanying letter on the number provided.**



Reflect on your own attributes and skills

The skills and knowledge we can give you in our training programme. The attributes we need of you include immaculate presentation of self and car, perfect time keeping, providing full value to pupils, good rapport, professionalism and great customer care ethic.



Make a good decision, not a hasty one

Often career decisions affect immediate family members so it's great to involve those closest to you in the decision process. If you have a spouse or partner who would like to be party to your decision please feel free to chat with our advisor on a conference call basis.



Get the show on the road!

When, and only when, you are fully decided we will enrol you into the training programme. At this moment we will also allocate the job to you, so you know that job is yours awaiting your qualification.

What will you earn?

You can choose between two routes into your new career as follows:

Route 1: Our most popular, where you pay more up front towards your training costs but get all of these costs paid back to you during your first fully qualified two years with us.

Route 2: Where you benefit from a greater subsidy so you are required to pay less up front towards your training costs. A considerable saving is made but fees paid are not then refundable to you.

The tables below show first and second year earnings figures for each of the two routes. Figures assume a lesson rate of £37 per hour, this may be different in your area so be sure to check this with your advisor.

ROUTE 1	Hours per week		
	24	32	40
Income from Pupils	888	1184	1480
Franchise and Car Fee	255	255	255
Fuel	54	72	90
Insurance	20	20	20
Additional Costs You may incur*	21	28	35
Your Weekly Earnings	538	809	1080

ROUTE 2	Hours per week		
	24	32	40
Income from Pupils	888	1184	1480
Franchise and Car Fee	280	280	280
Fuel	54	72	90
Insurance	20	20	20
Additional Costs You may incur*	21	28	35
Your Weekly Earnings	513	784	1055

*These are costs which most new instructors have in the early months but which tend to decline with experience. They can include the cost of special offers and pupil payment collection fees. Your career adviser can provide more detail when you speak with them.

So... what does life look like as a My Four Wheels instructor?

Once qualified, you continue working within the **My Four Wheels network** – a nationwide driving school built to support instructors properly from day one, with new opportunities opening up as you grow. You're self-employed, but you're backed by people who do this every day. The main things we provide for you are a **fully branded tuition car**, also available to you for private use, and that all important **constant flow of new pupils** to ensure you are always as busy as you want to be

What being part of My Four Wheels actually feels like

Whether you're teaching under a trainee licence or fully qualified, it means:

- Teaching under a recognised national brand
- **Working as local as possible**, in agreed areas
- Having support behind the scenes
- Not dealing with everything on your own
- You focus on teaching and your pupils, We take care of the structure around you.

A brand learners already trust

My Four Wheels has built a 5-star reputation across Trustpilot, Google and GoWork, based on real experiences from learners, trainees and instructors nationwide.

That reputation helps:

- Attract learner enquiries
- Build confidence from the very first lesson
- Support you in growing a strong local diary

You're teaching under a name people already recognise and trust.

What we handle, so you don't have to

From your trainee licence onwards, you're supported with:

- Pupil enquiries and bookings, basically getting all the pupils you will need.
- Marketing and advertising
- Diary systems and admin
- Day-to-day support from our office team
- Ongoing training, guidance and development

The support doesn't change when you qualify — it simply continues.

Your hours. Your pace. Your business.

Some instructors work part-time.

Some work full-time.

Some build a busy diary.

Some keep things steady.

Whether you're teaching as a trainee or fully qualified, you choose:

- When you work
- How many hours you teach
- How your week looks

More than just teaching

For instructors who want to go further, the My Four Wheels network offers room to grow. Over time, opportunities can open up such as:

Becoming a My Four Wheels Trainer

- Supporting new trainees through the Academy
- Mentoring and development roles
- Wider career progression within the business

There's no pressure to do more – but the option is there if you want it.

Built by instructors, not outsiders

All of our trainers and Academy training team started their journey as My Four Wheels trainees.

They've been exactly where you are now – which keeps our support practical, relatable and grounded in real experience.



Support that doesn't stop

Qualification isn't a handover – it's a continuation.

As you move from trainee to fully qualified instructor, the structure, support and systems stay in place.

We're in this for the long term.

A proper step into a real career

This isn't about "joining something new".

It's about continuing a journey you've already started – with a driving school that's growing fast, structured properly, and built around instructors.

Your Trainee Licence

The **trainee licence** is issued by the Department of Transport to allow new instructors to get on the road as soon as possible and to have the opportunity to do the job for real and start to earn money before taking the final exam. To obtain a trainee licence you will need to pass the part 1 and 2 exams and complete core training for the third one. We as your sponsoring driving school then certify the training has been completed and that's it, you are ready to start earning and getting real life practice ahead of that final exam.

The trainee licence scheme is the cornerstone of your career development with us, take a look below at the advantages it brings to all our new team members.

Key advantages of the trainee licence scheme

- You can start work and earning money sooner
- You get invaluable practice with real pupils before taking the final exam
- You get to defer some of your training cost until you are earning money, so your up front investment will have been lower
- Your earnings will be slightly less than when fully qualified as you will have to deduct around £40 per week from the figures show opposite to pay for statutory additional training

TRAINEE	Hours per week		
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The trainee licence is the point where everything starts to feel real.

Once you've passed **Part 2**, many trainees choose to apply for a trainee licence, which allows you to begin teaching learners **while completing your Part 3 training**.

It's where practice replaces theory – confidence builds quickly – and the job starts to take shape.

Getting you ready for the road

Before you teach your first lesson, we slow things down and make sure you're properly prepared. You'll speak with our **Trainee Licence Coordinator**, who guides you through everything step by step.

Together, you'll:

- Confirm the areas you'll teach in
- Complete the required paperwork
- **Choose your instructor car**
- Plan how and when you'll start teaching

Training that supports you, not throws you in

You're not expected to "just get on with it". Before you start teaching, you'll complete structured preparation designed specifically for this stage.

Trainee licence training

- **10 hours of FREE online training**, with step-by-step lesson guidance
- Optional virtual classroom sessions to build confidence
- **10 hours of in-car training**, paid directly to your trainer
- This training focuses on lesson flow, communication, and handling real-world situations calmly and professionally.

Learning while earning

Teaching under a trainee licence allows you to:

- Gain real on-the-road teaching experience
- Put your Part 3 training into practice straight away
- Build confidence lesson by lesson
- Start earning while you continue training

You're supported throughout this stage – never left to figure things out alone.

Support stays in place

While teaching under a trainee licence, you remain part of the **My Four Wheels Academy**.

You'll continue to have:

- Access to the Learning Hub and training resources
- Guidance from trainers and the Academy team

- Feedback to help you improve and progress

Everything is focused on getting you confident, capable, and ready for your final assessment.

A confident step towards qualification

For many trainees, this is the most rewarding part of the journey. It's where training becomes a job, confidence grows fast, and qualification feels within reach.

TRAINING AND QUALIFYING – THE MY FOUR WHEELS ACADEMY

The My Four Wheels Academy is our structured training framework for becoming a driving instructor. It combines online learning, in-car training, live classroom sessions, specialist tutor support and real-world teaching experience into one clear pathway – supporting you from your first enquiry through qualification and into a professional driving instructor career. With over 900 trainees currently in training and hundreds of qualified instructors already on the road, the Academy has been built and refined at scale.

The Learning Hub

At the centre of the Academy is our Learning Hub – a purpose-built online platform created exclusively for My Four Wheels trainees. You'll have access to:

- Over 100 mini courses, covering theory, driving ability and instructional skills
- Interactive lessons, mock tests and progress tracking
- Regular online classroom sessions
- A weekly Academy podcast to reinforce learning and share real experiences
- A team of 10 within the My Four Wheels training department and a network of over 100 trainers for support
- The Learning Hub is available anytime, anywhere, allowing you to study at a pace that fits around your commitments.

Your ADI training journey

- All driving instructors must complete the DVSA's three-part qualification process.
- The Academy is designed to prepare you properly at each stage before you move on.

PART 1

Theory & hazard perception

- ✓ This stage focuses on passing the DVSA Theory Test. You'll receive:
- ✓ 24/7 access to online learning via the Learning Hub
- ✓ Interactive study materials, mock tests and revision resources
- ✓ A Welcome Pack with your training manual and essential books
- ✓ Support from a dedicated Part 1 specialist tutor

PART 2

Driving ability - Once you've passed Part 1, training moves on to driving ability. You'll complete

- ✓ 8 hours of in-car training, delivered 2-to-1 through our Buddy System
- ✓ A dedicated video course and interactive quizzes
- ✓ Optional live online classroom sessions
- ✓ Training alongside another trainee allows you to observe different driving styles, share experiences and stay motivated. Buddies may change as you progress.

PART 3

Instructional ability - The final stage focuses on learning how to teach effectively. You'll receive:

- ✓ 20 hours of online training, covering all Part 3 competencies
- ✓ Optional live, instructor-led classroom sessions (maximum 25 trainees)
- ✓ 20 hours of in-car instructional training, delivered 2-to-1 through the Buddy System
- ✓ This combination prepares you for the DVSA instructional ability test and real-world teaching.

Our nationwide **training network**

With over 100 expert trainers across the UK, we provide regional and, in many areas, local training through the My Four Wheels Academy. Around 80% of training is delivered within approximately 45 minutes of trainees' homes, helping keep training practical and manageable. All trainers are part of the My Four Wheels franchise network and supported by our Academy team, ensuring consistent standards nationwide.

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OUR CARS

Modern, comfortable cars built for learning our fleet is made up of new or nearly-new, dual-controlled cars, carefully selected to create a safe, calm and comfortable learning environment.

Each car is chosen specifically for driving instruction, balancing comfort, reliability, safety and ease of use – for both instructors and learners.

Every car is:

- New or nearly new
- Fitted with dual controls
- Comfortable for long teaching days
- Equipped with modern safety features
- Reliable, efficient and practical

Choose the car that suits you

When you reach the trainee licence stage, you'll choose the instructor car you'll teach in.

All options are well suited to instruction – the choice comes down to the driving experience, features and feel that suit you best.

Renault Clio



The Renault Clio is a popular choice for driving instructors. It is smooth and easy to drive, helping learners feel confident. With good fuel economy, a comfortable interior, simple controls and modern safety features, it's a reliable and practical car for teaching.

Toyota Aygo X



The Toyota Aygo X is modern, practical and easy for learners to drive. Its small size and higher seating position make it easier to see the road and move around town. It's cheap to run, simple to use and well equipped, helping learners feel calm and in control.

Vauxhall Corsa Ultimate



The Corsa Ultimate offers a comfortable and modern car for teaching. Features like a digital dashboard, built-in sat nav and safety systems help make lessons easier and safer. It's smooth to drive and the compact size makes it ideal for town and city driving.

Suzuki Swift



The Suzuki Swift is easy to drive, economical and responsive. Its small size makes it well suited to town driving, and modern safety features help learners feel confident. It's comfortable, reliable and a good choice for regular driving lessons.

MG3



The MG3 is a practical and affordable car for driving lessons. It has simple controls, good visibility and a comfortable driving position, helping learners feel at ease. With low running costs and modern features, it's a reliable choice for everyday teaching.

Peugeot 208



The Peugeot 208 is comfortable, modern and easy to drive. It has light steering, a nice interior and good safety features that help learners feel confident. Its small size makes manoeuvring simple and less stressful.

Teaching in a car you're proud of

All our cars are new or nearly new, have dual controls, are professionally branded and well maintained. A learner's first impression matters, so we make sure every car looks professional and represents the My Four Wheels brand well.

WHAT PEOPLE SAY ABOUT MY FOUR WHEELS

Trusted by learners, trainees and instructors nationwide
Choosing to become a driving instructor is a big decision. Hearing from people who've already been through the journey can make all the difference. My Four Wheels has built a 5-star reputation across Trustpilot, Google and GoWork, based on real feedback from learners, trainees and instructors across the UK.

Why people rate us 5 stars. Across thousands of reviews, people consistently mention:

- Clear, honest advice from day one
- Support throughout training and beyond
- Friendly, responsive office teams
- Professional trainers who understand the journey
- A positive, well-structured experience

It's feedback we're proud of – and we work hard to maintain

Check out the reviews opposite – real world feedback from trainees, instructors and pupils. And from people who were in your shoes not too long ago, who took the plunge and can now shine a light on the path before you!

4.9 ★ Trustpilot



Alan

The support I have had from the team has been excellent. I am excited to take on the final challenge and am confident I will succeed with the support network from My Four Wheels.

Luke

My Four Wheels have been incredible with their guidance and tuition helping me achieve my goal of becoming an ADI.

Judy

My four wheels have been very supportive with my ADI training journey, they are with you every step of the way.

Google
Reviews ★★★★★ 4.8

Zaynah Hussain

I passed my driving test today my driving instructor was David Rule and I have to say he is such an amazing instructor I didn't feel uncomfortable or nervous with him. I would highly recommend him to others.

Mark Shaw

My Four Wheels are fantastic. Excellent customer service and were quick to appoint me an instructor.

Ruby Hayes

Charlie was absolutely brilliant, she made my lessons so fun and helped me learn at a great pace. She made me feel so confident and proud of my driving.



Miroslav

So far my experience with this company has been beyond my expectations.

Office support has been great, guiding me through the unknown no matter how weird my questions or queries are! In car training - Amazing! MyFourWheels is just one big family!

Julie

My main concern was having enough pupils, this has never been a problem I have a waiting list of pupils keen to start. After having such a bad experience with a previous company, MFW have restored my faith.

WHAT TO DO NOW

You don't need to decide today

If you've read this far, you're clearly curious – and that's exactly where you should be. Becoming a driving instructor is a big decision, and we don't believe in rushing it. The next step isn't committing to anything. It's simply getting clarity.

Your next step: a discovery call. Your next step is to book a **discovery call** at a time that suits you. The call usually takes **around 20–30 minutes** and is simply a chance to talk things through properly.

During the call, we'll:

- Answer any questions you've picked up from this brochure
- Talk through your circumstances and availability
- Explain the training journey in more detail
- Discuss costs and earning potential honestly
- Help you decide whether this is the right move for you

If it's not right, we'll tell you.



In the meantime...

While you're thinking things through, feel free to take a look at our reviews across different platforms.

Each one reflects a different part of the My Four Wheels journey:

- **GoWork** – heavily geared towards trainee and driving instructor reviews
- **Google** – largely made up of learner reviews
- **Trustpilot** – a mix of learners, trainees and instructors

Around 99% of the 500+ instructors within the My Four Wheels network have been recruited, trained and qualified through us. That means the learner reviews you see are a direct reflection of the entire journey – from training, to teaching, to learner experience.

Our website gives a really clear picture of how everything works in practice:

Want to explore a bit more before we talk?



Driving Lessons

Shows how we generate learners for instructors, including our full e-commerce journey – online bookings, vouchers, Klarna options and one-click purchase, all designed to make the sales process seamless.

Become an Instructor

An overview of the opportunity and what the role looks like in real terms.

Training

A deeper look at the syllabus, the Academy, and how the qualification journey is structured.

Franchise

More detail on what it means to work as a My Four Wheels instructor day to day.

About Us

Who we are, how we've grown, and where we're going.

You'll also find reviews sent directly to us by **instructors and learners**, along with a range of **blogs and insights** about training, teaching and the industry.

What happens after the call?

If you decide to move forward:

- We'll outline the next steps clearly
- You'll receive everything you need to get started
- You move at a pace you're comfortable with

If you decide not to:

- That's absolutely fine
- There's no pressure or obligation
- Either way, you'll leave the call with clarity.

One last thing

Every instructor, trainer and team member at My Four Wheels started in exactly the same place – with a conversation.

If you'd like to talk things through, we're here when you're ready.



