

# Advanced motorcycling

## making you safer, saving you money and helping you to be a responsible road user

On average, over 80 people a day are killed or seriously injured in road accidents. Most of these accidents are caused by bad driving or riding - not the vehicle, the road, or the conditions.

The Advanced Motorcycling Test was designed to contribute to road safety, and the facts prove that it has worked:

- **Nearly 70% of drivers who received Advanced coaching showed significantly safer skill in a number of key areas.**  
Good news for you, your passenger, and other road users.
- **Advanced riders enjoy lower insurance costs.**  
Recognising that advanced riders are safer riders, many insurance companies offer IAM members lower insurance premiums. We have arranged a special insurance scheme for full IAM members.
- **Smoother riding uses less fuel and saves wear and tear on tyres and mechanical components.**  
You'll save money and help protect the environment by reducing exhaust emissions.
- **Advanced riders should be less likely to incur penalty points for bad riding.**  
Protect your licence and avoid wasting money on unnecessary fines.



## Skill, control and thinking ahead...

Advanced riding is not about slowing you down on the road. It's about helping you to become better at predicting hazards and making your riding smoother, more controlled and ultimately safer. It's also about using less fuel - saving you money and helping to save the environment by reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

### So how do I become an advanced rider?

By taking the IAM's Skill for Life programme. This is delivered by a nationwide network of IAM Groups, each run by volunteers. When you apply, you'll be sent their contact details.

All you have to do is get in touch with your local IAM Group who will help you plan a personal learning programme and guide you through the steps leading to the Test.

Once you've achieved the required standard, you can arrange to take the Advanced Motorcycling Test.

### How much will it cost?

Because the IAM is a registered charity we only seek to cover our costs. Your initial assessment, preparation runs, the Test and Associate's fee (valid 1 year) costs only £109†, or £89† for those aged 25 and under.

(£91† and £71†, respectively, if you are already an IAM Associate.)

### Are there any additional benefits?

Yes. As an IAM Associate, you'll be entitled to a wide range of benefits including discounts on AA breakdown cover, car windscreen repairs, tyre replacement and car hire. You'll also receive regular issues of our magazine.

In addition, once you become an IAM Member, on passing the Advanced Motorcycling Test, you'll be able to benefit from the IAM motorcycle insurance scheme.

### Can I enrol on the Skill for Life programme?

If you've held a full UK licence for three months or more, you can prepare for the Advanced Motorcycling Test, learn to save money and fuel - and ultimately contribute to road safety.

If you have a court case for a driving offence pending you will have to wait until the legal process is finalised before taking the test (this includes Fixed Penalty Notices).

There is no age limit. We firmly believe that you're never too young or too old to be more in touch with road safety.

The Skill for Life programme and Test are taken on your own machine which must be capable of sustaining the national speed limit. If you have a classic motorcycle please contact us for advice.

**From 2<sup>nd</sup> April the 'Skills for Life' programme will cost £139**

† Prices valid at time of printing and may be subject to alteration. Some groups may also request a contribution towards volunteer observers' fuel costs. Full terms and conditions available upon request and on the IAM web site.

