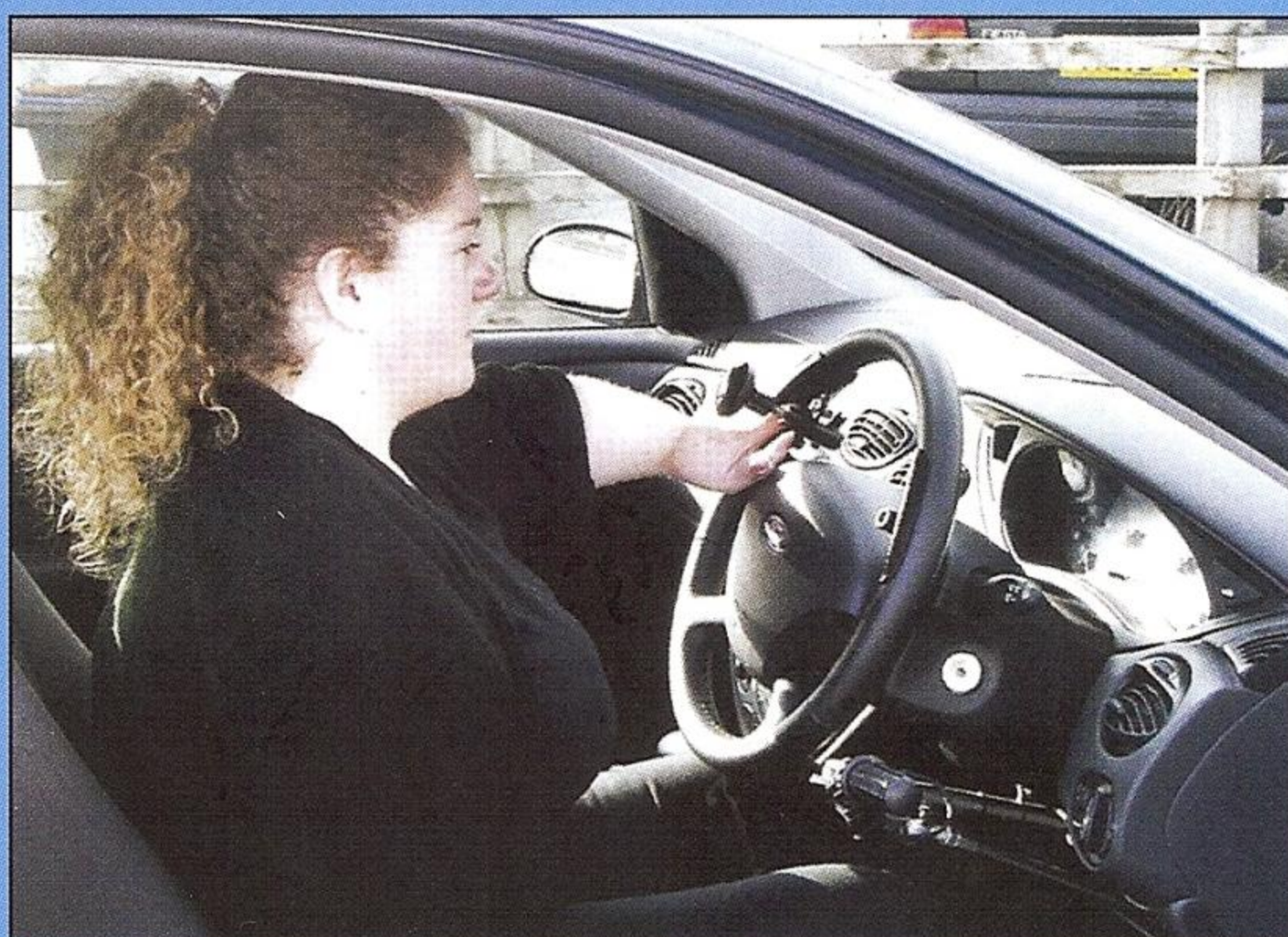




**Cornwall Mobility Centre**

*The Key to Freedom and Independence*

# Driving Assessment Services in Devon



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## **WHAT IS A DRIVING ASSESSMENT?**

A driving assessment is NOT a driving test. The Cornwall Mobility Centre aims to enable people to begin or continue driving.

A driving assessment is a method of assessing your ability to drive in safety and comfort, and to determine whether any adaptations are required for a vehicle.

## **WHO IS IT FOR?**

You can have a driving assessment if you are:

- Disabled
- Elderly
- A provisional licence holder
- Wanting to return to driving following an accident, long term illness, trauma or disability
- Need advice on suitable vehicles or adaptations

## **WHO WILL ASSESS ME?**

We have a team of Approved Driving Instructors who are trained to assess people of all ages and abilities.

A Senior Occupational Therapist is also available if a cognitive assessment is required.

## **WHERE WILL I BE ASSESSED?**

Clients who live in Devon can be assessed at one of the following locations:

- Mount Gould Hospital, Plymouth
- Exeter Mobility Centre, Exeter
- Holsworthy Hospital, Holsworthy

## **ASSESSMENT CHARGES**

There is a charge for this service. However, we keep this charge as low as possible and the cost of the assessment is supported by the Charitable Trust.

## **WHAT DOES THE ASSESSMENT INVOLVE?**

The Assessor will start the assessment by discussing the following with you:

- Mobility details
- Medical history
- Driving history

The Assessor will carry out a simple physical assessment to assess your physical abilities, including a vision test to ensure that you meet the legal requirements for driving purposes.

If you have (or have had) a neurological condition, such as a brain injury or stroke, a cognitive assessment may be carried out by the Occupational Therapist.



## **THE STATIC ASSESSMENT RIG**

The Static Assessment Rig (when having an assessment at Truro), or Mobile Assessment Rig (when having an assessment at another location) may be used to assess your limb strengths and reaction and decision times. It can also be used to assess your ability to use vehicle adaptations.

## **ON-ROAD DRIVE**

The final stage of the assessment is a drive in one of our specially equipped vehicles. This may only take place if you have entitlement to drive and it is felt appropriate. The Assessor will ask you to perform a series of exercises in order to assess your ability to drive in a safe manner.

The outcome of the assessment, including recommendations, will be discussed in full with you after the assessment.

You will receive a written report of the assessment.

## **HOW DO I ARRANGE AN ASSESSMENT?**

You can contact us via our website, by telephone, fax, or email, or by visiting the Centre. Our contact details are on the front of this leaflet.

Alternatively, you can ask your GP or relevant healthcare professional to refer you to us.

We are open Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm.



## **THE CORNWALL MOBILITY CENTRE IS**

- A DVLA Accredited Assessment Centre
- Motability Accredited
- A Member of the Forum of Mobility Centres
- A member of BHTA
- A member of NMEDA
- ISO9001 registered

## **OTHER DRIVING RELATED SERVICES**

- Driving tuition / familiarisation / refresher lessons
- Theory and Hazard Perception tuition
- Pass Plus courses
- Passenger / transfer assessments
- Vehicle adaptations
- Information and advice for any driving / vehicle related query
- Specialist Drive from Wheelchair assessments

## **ADDITIONALLY WE PROVIDE**

- An Independent Living and Mobility Equipment showroom providing a free assessment service for manual and powered wheelchairs and scooters, seating, bathing, kitchen, paediatric and independent living equipment
- Workshops providing servicing and repairs for mobility equipment and vehicle adaptations
- Free advice and information on any mobility related query