

**Please could you tell me the testing syllabus you apply and test candidates against for the compulsory basic training (CBT) and direct access scheme (DAS) assessment at Cardington? If it is not a nationally published document provide me with a copy.**

I can confirm that DSA assessors use the CBT and DAS assessment of motorcycle instructors' information packs as well as the following publications to support the syllabus and assess the competencies required of a potential instructor. These packs and the publications outline for assessors as well as candidates, what needs to be covered under each element of CBT and DAS.

The publications are:

- The Official DSA Guide to Learning to Ride
- The Official DSA Guide to Riding – the Essential Skills
- The Official Theory Test for Motorcyclists
- Know Your Traffic Signs

The publications listed above can be purchased online at <http://www.tsoshop.co.uk/bookstore.asp?FO=1162833> . This information is therefore exempt from release under section 21 (information accessible by other means). A copy of this exemption is attached at Annex B.

You can find a copy of the CBT and DAS assessment for motorcycle instructors' information pack at Annex C.

We assess each candidate's ability at the motorcycle instructor's CBT and DAS assessment using a daily progress reports. A copy of each of these reports can be found at Annex D.

The marking system for the CBT and DAS assessments are as follows:

- Marking of one = overall performance extremely poor with dangerous deficiencies
- Marking of two = a poor overall performance with numerous deficiencies
- Marking of three = a competent overall performance with some minor deficiencies
- Marking of four = overall performance to a very high standard with no significant weaknesses

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