

Parallel Parking Instructional

You must parallel park within the 8' X 24' space marked with posts, cones, or barrels. You have 1 attempt but allotted 3 reverse and 3 forward maneuvers to park the vehicle completely inside the space. The tires must be totally inside the white line, if they touch the line the exam will end unsuccessfully. You may not touch the cones on the way in or the way out. Tapping any of the markers will also result in an unsuccessful exam. You may touch the curb but may not hit it forcefully or encroach on it. When exiting the area, you have unrestricted adjustments. Everything is done with practical conditions in mind; therefore, you must use your turn signals as you go into and out of parallel parking. In addition, you must look over your left shoulder to clear your blind spot for traffic as you are coming out of parallel parking. If the attempt at parallel parking is unsuccessful, the test will end as per PennDOT's rules and guidelines.

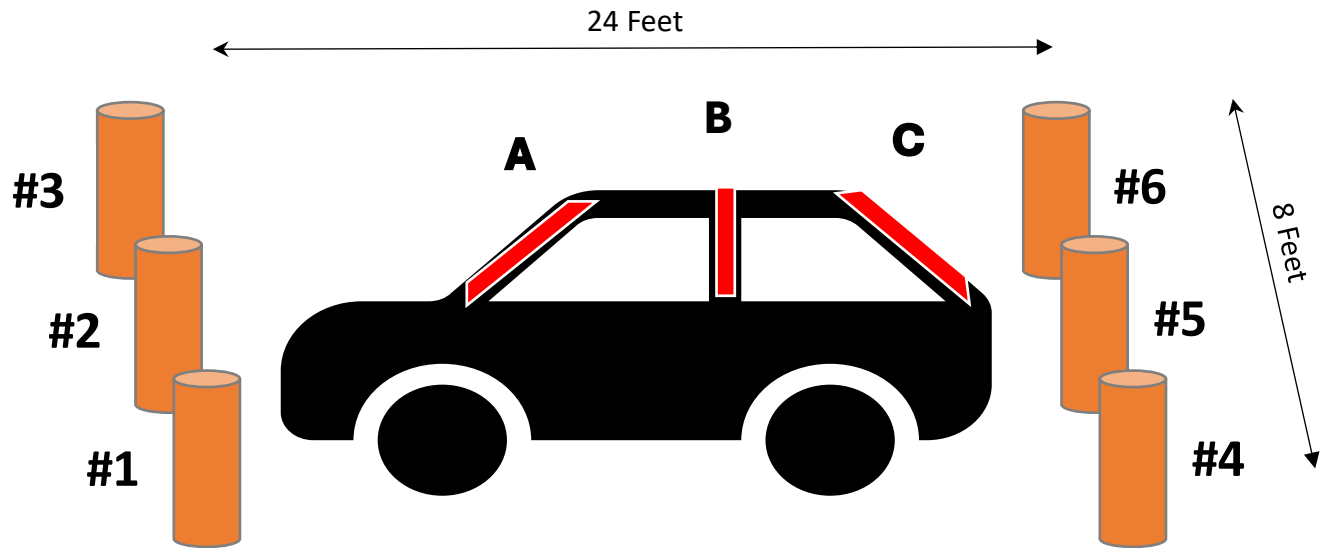
Step by Step Parallel Parking Instruction: *Cones 1 and 3 represent the taillights of the car in front of you, Cones 4 and 6 represent the headlights of the car behind you.

1. **Turn on the right turn signal as you approach** (*not upon arrival*) the parallel parking spot. Slowly drive the vehicle forward approximately 2 to 3 feet away. (*You should be a little more than an arm's length away from the car you are parking behind.*)
2. **Slowly drive the vehicle forward** so that the **1st Cone (or taillight of the car in front of you)** lines up with the far edge of the back passenger window, **STOP!** (*It will look like Cone #1 is almost touching the C post (please see diagram for reference)*)
3. **Before moving, turn the steering wheel all the way to the right and shift the vehicle into reverse.** As you begin to reverse you will feel the back of the vehicle pivot to the right.
 - a. **Option #1** - Look at the driver's side mirror, watching for Cones 4, 5 and 6 to appear down the side of the car. When Cone #6 appears, **STOP!**
 - b. **Option #2** - You may also watch in your rear-view mirror as Cones 4, 5 and 6 appear and move across the rear-view mirror. When Cone #6 reaches the head rest of the back seat directly behind the driver's seat, **STOP.**
4. **Without moving the vehicle, return the wheel to the center position.** (*Approximately 1 ½ revolutions back to the left.*) Once the wheels are straight, **slowly reverse the vehicle** until **Cone #1** is just visible through the front windshield at the "A post" (*please see diagram for reference*). **If you are using a reverse camera**, you should see the last solid yellow line (both horizontal and vertical) on the right side of the display touch the curb, **STOP!**
5. **Without moving the vehicle, turn the steering wheel all the way to the left.** Slowly reverse until the car is straight. (*If the car tire touches the curb, STOP!*) **Turn the steering wheel all the way to the right, then slowly drive forward to straighten the vehicle.** An additional back-up may be needed by turning your wheel to the left to straighten your vehicle.
6. **Shift the vehicle to (P) park and apply the emergency brake!**

CONGRATULATIONS YOU HAVE JUST SUCCESSFULLY PARALLEL PARKED!

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IDENTIFIED WITHIN THIS INSTRUCTIONAL MAY VARY.

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