

- Documentation – All drivers must have a valid driving licence, car insurance policy, up-to-date tax, and a recent MOT.
- Breakdowns – New rule added to show drivers what is a ‘relative place of safety’ if they break down. Drivers also encouraged to ensure they have a mobile phone when driving in case of emergencies.

The changes to the Highway Code could also be viewed as part of the Government’s Green Agenda plan. The changes will encourage people to walk and cycle as they will feel safer on the roads (being at the top of the road user hierarchy), which will subsequently lead to less cars on the road and therefore less emissions into the environment.

The proposed changes have not yet come into effect. The Government has confirmed that the amended Highway Code will be approved by Parliament in the autumn and in force from the end of 2021.

Should you be involved in a road traffic accident, please contact our accident claims team on 01495 762244, text “legal claim” to 67777 or email litigationteam@watkinsandgunn.co.uk

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