Objective
Ensure that all heavy vehicle licence applicants are trained and assessed in accordance with requirements.

Purpose
All heavy vehicle licence holders must be able to demonstrate the required skills to safely start and stop on ascending/descending roads.

Criteria 12
Hill Stop/Start

Performance: Demonstrate smooth, safe stopping and starting when leaving the kerb on ascending and descending roads.

Conditions: Centre driving mirror offset (where fitted)
- Select low level traffic, inside lane with kerb or distinct edge and space for drawing into or parking
- Moderate inclines and descents.

Requirements
The driver will, when ascending or descending, draw into the kerb and stop the vehicle, and then (when directed by the assessor) leave the kerb and continue driving along the road as per test elements.

One-off test. (Assessed only once)

Test Criteria
- Ascent
- Descent.

No exemption from Criteria 12
All licence applicants completing HVCBA are required to complete Criteria 12- Hill Stop/Start. Assessors are reminded that correct assessment requires the applicant to demonstrate smooth, safe stopping and starting when leaving the kerb on ascending and descending roads.
Summary

The ability to safely and effectively start and stop on an ascending/descending section of roadway is an essential skill for all licence holders. Assessors are to ensure this criteria is trained and assessed in accordance with requirements.

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