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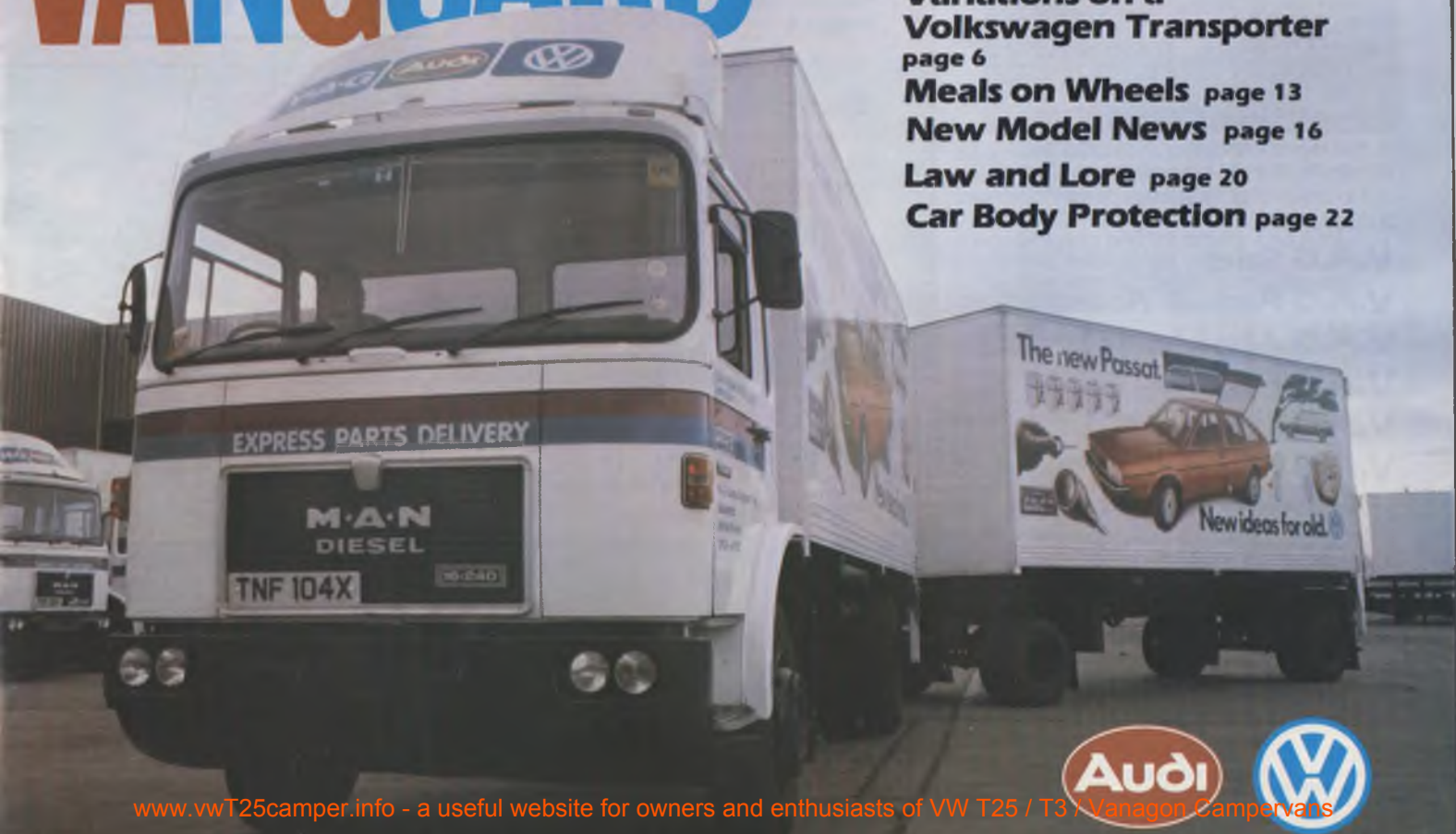
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Dear
Owner

When you drive away from a V.A.G dealership having just collected either your new car or a used Volkswagen or Audi, our job, together with the dealers is only just beginning. We in After Sales are responsible for keeping your car the way it was built.

Over the past few years there has been a considerable growth in "Quick fits", especially in the area of exhaust and brakes. Many people have the impression that they are less expensive than authorised repairers, in the vast majority of cases they are not. However, what they can offer is an immediate quote for a particular repair, what they cannot offer is a guaranteed price with the genuine part, only your V.A.G dealer can do that.

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Our dealers and all of their staff value your custom, the name V.A.G is synonymous with quality and care, today more than ever, we wish to demonstrate that.

Best wishes



R. E. Jones
NATIONAL MANAGER
V.A.G (United Kingdom) Limited

a town of many parts

VANGUARD visits the new town of Milton Keynes, barely an hour's drive up the M1 from London, and the V.A.G (United Kingdom) Ltd headquarters in this country.

What does the name Milton Keynes mean to you? A combination of town and country? A central shopping precinct that is the envy of the world? The butt of Noel Edmonds' jokes? New industry? A town for the motor car? A triumph of modern planning, with old established villages integrated harmoniously with the new development? Milton Keynes is all those things — literally a town of many parts.

But for Audi and Volkswagen owners, one fact is especially significant.

Milton Keynes enjoys a quite superb location from the point of view of communications. If you were planning a brand new, purpose-built parts distribution centre, Milton Keynes is the place you would choose.

And that's just what V.A.G have done. They have created an impressive central warehousing operation which, for the scale of operation, is unrivalled anywhere in Europe.

At any one time, the building contains some 45,000 parts lines with a value in the region of £15 million.

Just how good that is may be judged by the fact that 95% of all V.A.G dealers' parts requirements are met within 48 hours. And that means that Volkswagen and Audi owners are back on the road fast.

Those are the facts. But behind the statistics is an operation which is planned with military precision, ensuring that 380 V.A.G dealers receive a direct delivery every other working day.



The Overnight Express

The nationwide distribution fleet which makes regular calls on all dealerships is the result of an exclusive contract with Dow Freight Services — an established and extremely successful haulage company which not only specialises in United Kingdom deliveries, but also operates a complete freight and distribution service throughout Europe.

V.A.G has the exclusive use of some 35 MAN/VW tractor vehicles and 11 trailers which can be fitted with any one of the 50 specially equipped, demountable 20' bodies into which the parts are packed.

The bodies are fitted with shelves and partitions so that each dealer's order — (approximately six on each vehicle) — remains entirely separate. Furthermore locking straps have been fitted as standard equipment to minimise damage in transit.

By the 5 o'clock deadline parts picked in the warehouse are loaded into their respective delivery boxes. Then overnight, the vehicles travel a pre-determined route to the various outbases around the country, arriving punctually and within the prescribed government regulations.

At the outbases, the boxes are demounted and picked up by a local delivery vehicle, thus ensuring next day delivery. In fact V.A.G are so confident of this service that they use it for internal mail, to and from dealers!

V.A.G say that "we care. Our aim is to serve you well". And from the town of many parts, they are doing just that...



Variations on a Theme



**The freedom of the open road.
A new, exciting place to sleep each
night. The chance to eat where and
when you like.**

**It sounds idyllic; and, according to
the increasing numbers of
people who take to
the roads on
holiday, it is.**

But holiday makers are not the only group who have come to love the caravan. We've heard of a recently retired travelling salesman who used a motor caravan on his business trips — and saved thousands of pounds on hotel bills.

Kombi sets the standard.

As motor caravanning grows in popularity, so does the Volkswagen Transporter Kombi. Its economy, smooth ride, lively performance and positive handling, make it ideal for motorways and country lanes alike.

Not surprisingly, the Kombi has been used as the basis for many a conversion. Currently only those of three manufacturers have passed the stringent tests of Volkswagen's engineers.

These are the CI Kamper, the Devon Moonraker, and the Danbury Diamond and despite having the same starting point, they are three very different conversions.

What they have in common is the superbly designed Volkswagen Transporter Kombi, recognised as the best vehicle in its class.

For however good the conversion — and these three are excellent — their success does not depend solely on the luxurious fittings, the use of space, or the facilities.

They are not just homes, they are highly efficient driving machines — because the Transporter Kombi handles like a car, and uses petrol as frugally as a car.

It's reliable, too — taking long journeys in its stride, and taking the strain off the driver. It will start "first time every time". It has to, because a motor caravan can end up in some pretty out of the way places. Break down and you've got a long, long walk ahead of you.

That's why these three variations on a theme have such wide appeal. Because when you go back to basics, underneath it's still a Volkswagen.



THE CI AUTOHOMES KAMPER

This is the first Volkswagen conversion with a rigid, insulated, elevating roof.

It's a real breakthrough in motor caravan design, because this new high rise roof provides unprecedented quiet, warmth, and spaciousness for the occupants of the upper double bed.

But the innovations of this conversion don't stop there. A new method of converting the rear bench seat to a double bed increases the amount of space during the day, so the Kamper seats up to seven people in comfort.

For comfort, read luxury. There are so many standard features it is difficult to know where to start.

The furniture. It's practical and attractive, finished in a wood grain laminate which looks good, and is easy to clean.

There are carpets fitted throughout — even in the cab. The windows are curtained, and the sides are insulated up to the windows.

Plus there is a gas/12 volt refrigerator, an integral stainless steel sink and cooker unit (including grill), a built in 12 gallon water tank, and extensive storage space — including a compartment for the optional flush loo.

You can even have central heating as an option.

There is no doubt of CI's claim that the Kamper offers the best of both worlds: a spacious estate car from Monday to Friday, and at weekends and holidays, a comprehensive, family size, fully equipped and insulated home on wheels.



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At last! A Volkswagen caravan with a rigid, fully insulated elevating roof.

The CI Kamper heralds a real breakthrough in motor caravan design with an entirely new high rise roof – double skinned and fully insulated – that provides quiet, warm and spacious surroundings for the occupants of the upper double bed. The roof is easily elevated with assistance from gas filled struts, and a rooflight with flyscreen provides variable ventilation. For even greater ventilation in hot weather or for even better viewing at sporting events one of the sides can be folded away without affecting the stability of the roof. A roof rack over the cab is standard equipment.

The unique design of the Kamper doesn't just stop at roof level though – the ingenious method of converting the rear bench seat to a 6'1" x 4' double bed substantially

increases the amount of space inside the vehicle in the daytime layout. This in turn allows a side facing seat to be fitted which simplifies dinette seating. The very versatile seating arrangements are completed by a multi position, sliding, rotating and reclining seat behind the front passenger seat.

Kitchen equipment includes a gas/12 volt refrigerator and a built-in 12 gallon water tank with exterior lockable filler cap. A safe "blown air" heating system is an optional extra.

The CI Kamper will seat up to seven people (six in forward facing seats), sleep four adults in two upholstered double beds, and – with the rear seat cushions and drawer

unit removed – convert into a roomy estate car with forward facing seating for three.

Many improvements for 1982 include new soft furnishings with luxurious gold and brown patterned velvet upholstery.

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The Devon Moonraker

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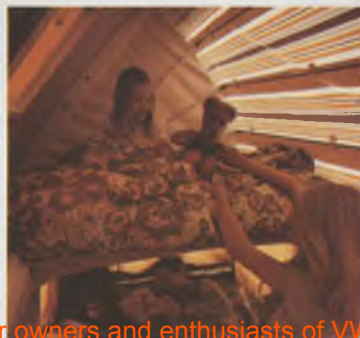
The Devon double-top elevating roof runs the full length of the vehicle and gas filled struts make it simple to open and close. There is plenty of room for the solid based double bed doubling as two singles for the children if preferred.

Nearer the ground is a tasteful and functionally designed kitchen with lots of storage units. The heat resistant work surfaces raise in three hinged sections to reveal a stainless steel sink unit, under which the optional fridge can be fitted, and a two burner gas cooker with grill and heat shield, and a deep storage locker.

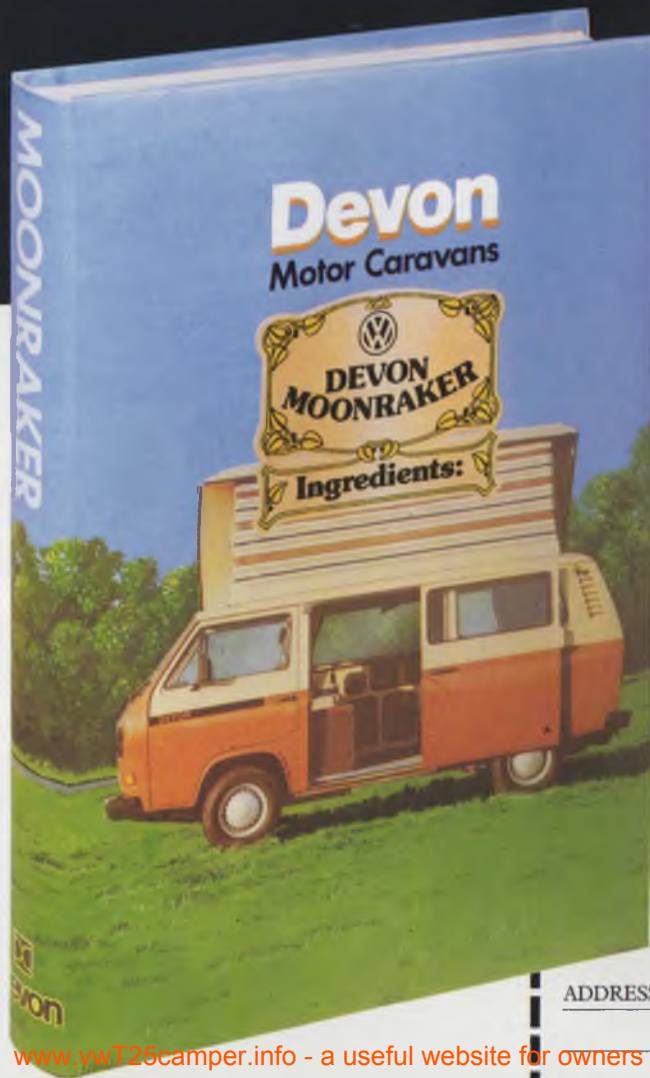
Seating and dining arrangements are, as you would expect very comfortable, and extremely flexible.

The floor is covered with Flotex carpet — the unique covering which combines wear and stain resisting qualities with warmth and luxury. The buttoned deep foam cushions, the curtains, and the carpet are all in toning colours.

The spacious Devon Moonraker is beautifully designed — everything neatly in its place and a place for everything.



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The Danbury Diamond

Danbury Conversions of Essex have built just short of 15,000 VW-based caravanettes since the company was first appointed an official Volkswagen converter in 1968.

The Family Estate, a weekender rather than a pure caravan, is one of the most popular models. With forward facing seats for seven, berths for two or four, and an emphasis on safety, it embodies Danbury's continuing search for the highest quality.

That reputation can only be enhanced by the addition to the Danbury range of the new 'Diamond'.

In two versions — with or without an elevating roof — this most comprehensively equipped pure camper exudes quality.

It is the sheer spaciousness of the Diamond which one notices first. By including swivel seats in the conversion,



Danbury has achieved a third more usable space. The company claim that with its no compromise 'four berth, four seat' layout, the Diamond transforms the Volkswagen Transporter Kombi into a serious touring vehicle.

With modern plastic finishes and colour co-ordination right down to the attractive, shadowed hob and sink unit, the Diamond boasts an impressive range of standard features, including a fridge, a mains power link, battery charge and distribution system, an eye level grill, a sliding window, face level ventilation to the rear, and a luxurious, removable piled carpet over the hardwearing vinyl floor.

That kind of comprehensive specification makes the Danbury Diamond a most exciting addition to the Volkswagen Motor Caravan range.



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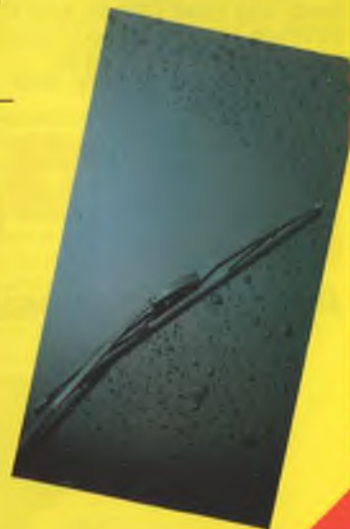
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the newcomers

In just 10 years, Volkswagen has transformed itself, and the European motor industry. Now Vanguard takes a look at three new second generation models — the Polo, the Polo Classic, and the striking new Scirocco — and finds unprecedented levels of sophistication, quality, and individuality.

Read the reports about any of the so-called 'super-minis', and it's difficult to distinguish one from another.

Words like 'practical', 'versatile', 'thrifty' and 'spacious' have been bandied about in a wanton fashion, with the result that when a car comes along that is 'practical', 'versatile', 'thrifty' and 'spacious' the words have become devalued.

Well, the new Polo performs a great service for the motorist and the English language by restoring the meaning.

'**Practical**' means modern and lively. It means functional and comfortable. With comprehensive, easy to read instrumentation. It means smooth steering with a short, precise gear change.

'**Versatile**' means town and country, shopping and touring, motorways and traffic jams. It means a choice of three models and two power outputs — including the new HCS (high compression and squish) 1050cc unit.

'**Thrifty**' means more than 47 mpg at a steady 56 mph in the Polo C. And the special economy model gives even more remarkable figures: expect 38 mpg around town, nearly 60 mpg at a steady 56 mph. And at 75 mph, more than 42 mpg. That's thrifty.

And what about '**spacious**'? Spacious is 35.2 cu. ft. of luggage space with the rear seat forward. Spacious is a huge liftback that extends right down to the bumper.

the Polo....

As much as possible.
For as many
people
as possible.



But, these definitions do not describe the new Polo adequately. It is a very different type of car in every respect.

For a start, it looks different. Large rear side windows ensure minimum obstruction for all-round vision. And that elegant shape has a drag co-efficient of 0.39. Even the previous Polo was 0.42 and even that was below most direct competitors.

No wonder the motoring pundits are singing its praises. As **Autocar** (28.10.81)

said: "It represents a considerable challenge to the entire 'super-mini' brigade who will do well to watch this new star closely, and to learn from it".

Or **Motor** three days later: "Choosing a small car from the myriad currently available must be an awesome task, but for a lot of people it's going to be considerably easier with the arrival of the new Polo. It is simply an exceptional car".

We concur.

Classic...

It sounds like a headline from 'The Sporting Life.'

But in fact this model is so named because it is the classic saloon, with so many classic features.

Classic styling

It's more dynamic and spacious in appearance. Larger doors and windows, more front and rear headroom, more front elbow-room.

It looks good — with a pleasing, rounded body, front spoiler and raised notchback. And all those points add up to a reduced drag co-efficient, too. From 0.42 to 0.40 — remarkable for a compact saloon.

Classic breeding

The Polo Classic is a thoroughbred. No arguments about that. Proven running gear, suspension, steering, braking system and comprehensive equipment come from its hatchback sister.

There's no need in this article to talk about the Volkswagen pedigree, but you can be sure that the Classic has inherited all the finest features of the Volkswagen marque.

Classic Range

Four models give you all the choice you need.

A 1.1 litre C and C Formel E, the 1.1 litre CL and the sporty 1.3 litre GL.

It's a car that is going to appeal to all age groups.

The modern styling, the superb performance and the price will find a ready market.

It is, quite simply, a Classic.

becomes a Classic



the new Scirocco and the wind of change



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The wind of change has been blowing hard for the Scirocco.

And though current owners will find it hard to believe, it has been completely restyled and refined for the 80's.

Now, it has more equipment, more room for passengers, better performance, and better economy.

Better styling

The picture tells the story.

4" longer, with almost 2" of extra headroom, the new Scirocco retains all its originality as a compact 2 + 2. Incredibly, it looks even more beautiful than before — and yet it has far more room for passengers and luggage.

Raising the roof lines and adding the strong central pillar emphasises the Scirocco's sporty looks, while the large window area is both practical and attractive. One interesting design innovation has been to run the rear window through and beneath the rear spoiler. It looks dramatic — and it improves rear vision considerably.

Better performance and economy

The Scirocco is among the fastest small engined cars anywhere. It is also one of



the most economical.

The GTI has a top speed of 117 mph. But every model in the range tops 100 mph — and has the acceleration to match.

Yet most owners can expect to return an average of well over 30 mpg, with the GL top of the list at 53.3 mpg at a steady 56 mph, which is incredible as it may seem is better than the 1.3 litre Metro. (According to government figures.)

Even the pacesetter in the range — the GTI with its fuel injected 1600cc engine — gets in on the economy act. 117 mph and a 0-60 time of just 9.5 seconds, it nevertheless returns 42.8 mpg at 56 mph and 33.6 mpg at a steady 75 mph, according to Government figures.

At the bottom of the range, the 70 bhp CL tops the 100 mark and can achieve 44.8 mpg at 56 mph.

Surely, few other cars can compete at both ends of the performance graph quite so successfully as the new Scirocco.

Better range

The new Scirocco brings a wider choice of models than before, all with a particularly high level of trim and equipment.



Each model has a character of its own, but every model shares a basic specification which can only be described as comprehensive.

Integrated front spoilers improve handling as well as looks, and the crucially sited rear spoiler cuts fuel-consuming drag. Laminated windscreens are standard, as is the single wide sweep wiper and rear wash-wipe.

Halogen headlamps, electronic ignition, locking fuel cap, parking lights, reclining front seats with height adjusters, head restraints, seat belts, digital clock, luggage compartment light, full installation for stereo sound. . .

We could go on. The list of standard equipment on the Sciroccos is seemingly endless. Nothing has been overlooked.

And that kind of attention to detail may be said to be the secret of the new Scirocco. Innovative design has improved a car which many considered to be the ultimate.

The wind of change has created a car for the 80's — and beyond.

MOTORING Lore & Law



How well-informed are you when it comes to motoring law?

Most of us would probably rate ourselves fairly high. After all, we spend so much time on the road that it's almost second nature — especially the most common offences like speeding and parking.

But do we know, or just think we know?

The difference between the law and lore is often quite staggering. Experienced motorists, with long histories of safe driving, have been known to state the exact opposite of what the law actually is.

So here are seven elementary questions. Just a little test to see if you know the difference between lore and law.

Q. Can you be prosecuted for speeding by one policeman alone?

A. Yes, you can and no you can't. The law — and lore — state that the unsupported evidence of a single policeman is insufficient to convict. But that does not mean that he has to be supported by another policeman. He can, for example, quote his observation of a police car's speedometer.

Q. Do the police have to follow you for a specific distance before they can book you for speeding?

A. No. There is no minimum distance laid down for an assessment of speeding. In fact, the evidence of two policemen standing on the side of the road as you flash by is technically sufficient grounds for a conviction.

Q. Can you be charged with not displaying a valid road fund licence, even if you are?

A. It sounds paradoxical, but yes, you can. The law states that the road fund licence must not only be displayed, it must be displayed on the bottom lefthand side of the windscreen.

Q. Can you be charged with an offence if you do not actually interrupt the passage of a pedestrian on a zebra crossing?

A. Certainly. If a pedestrian has placed just one foot on the crossing — even on the far side — you must be in a position to stop.



Q. Does a policeman in plain clothes have the same powers as a uniformed officer?

A. Yes... and no. In general, there is no distinction. But there is one important difference in motoring law. A plain clothes officer, or an officer in plain clothes, may not carry out a breathalysers test. The procedure must be performed by a uniformed officer.

Q. Under what circumstances can hazard warning lights be used?

A. Hazard warning lights should only be used when stationary. It is an offence to use them on the move, however good your intentions — to give emphasis to a stopping or braking manoeuvre, for instance.

Q. When a police officer signals you into a census lane, what must you do?

A. In law, you must only abide by the officer's signal. Once you have obeyed this, there is no legal responsibility on you to actually answer questions.

How did you get on? There are no grades here, just pass and fail. The pass mark is full marks — because in a court of law, "ignorance is no defence".

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