



### **Trailer B + E (Car + Trailer)**

The B + E test is required to be taken by anyone who has passed their driving test after 1 January 1997 and is driving a combination of vehicle and trailer that totals more than 3500kg, or that pulls a trailer heavier than 750kg.

Often candidates are quite experienced as they have been towing a trailer without realizing a license is required.

Training is arranged to take place in Inverness. Training commences at 8:00am and the Tests are usually arranged for the same day at either 12:30pm or 1:45pm. If the candidates are less experienced, or if it is preferred, then the Tests can take place on a separate day from the training to allow for some practice in between. If the test is booked for the same day and it is found that the trainee does not have the appropriate experience, the test fee is lost.

2 people can be trained together.

The preparation/training time may comprise of both Practical and Theory work to prepare for the DSA Test.

The car and trailer test (B+E) is based on the lorry driving test and lasts for approximately one hour.

The test (B+E) includes vehicle safety questions, an off-road reverse manoeuvre, a controlled stop, uncoupling and coupling of the trailer and driving on the road.

Candidates are free to use their own vehicle and trailer but they do need to ensure that it meets minimum test vehicle requirements (see [www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk)). It is often easier to use the instructor's as his vehicle is already set up for this. The Instructor's Vehicle is a Kia Sorrento.