

Driver Training Areas — Bury

This guide outlines recommended training areas in Bury, structured by skill level. Each zone is selected to progressively build confidence, road awareness, and test readiness.

■ BEGINNER AREAS — Low Traffic, Build Confidence

Area	Key Features	Skills Practised
Moorside / Sunnybank Estate	Quiet residential cul-de-sacs and low-traffic roads	Basic car control, clutch, steering, stopping & starting
Fishpool / Pilsworth Road Area	Wide suburban streets, light traffic	MSM routine, simple T-junctions and crossroads
Elton Reservoir Access Roads	Very quiet semi-rural roads with wide lanes	Clutch control on hills, pedestrian awareness

■ INTERMEDIATE AREAS — Build Road Skills

Area	Key Features	Skills Practised
Bury Town Centre (The Rock / Millgate)	Busy shopping area, bus lanes & crossings	Town centre confidence, bus priority awareness
Manchester Road (A56)	Busy A-road with frequent junctions & traffic lights	Speed management, anticipation, lane discipline
Walmersley Road (B6214)	Semi-rural A-road with challenging bends	Road positioning, hazard perception
Angouleme Way / Rock Retail Area	Retail park approach roads, varied junctions	Junction assessment, give way markings

■ ADVANCED / TEST-READY AREAS

Area	Key Features	Skills Practised
Angouleme Way & Test Centre Approach	Direct routes to Bury Test Centre	Test route familiarisation, junction confidence
A58 Rochdale Road Corridor	High-traffic arterial road with complex junctions	Multi-lane roads, complex hazard reading
M66 Approach (A56 / Irwell Valley)	Dual carriageway and motorway-standard roads	National speed limit, merging & lane changes

■ MANOEUVRE PRACTICE LOCATIONS

Manoeuvre	Recommended Location
Bay Parking	Bury town centre car parks / The Rock shopping centre

Parallel Parking	Residential streets off Manchester Road
Turn in the Road	Moorside / Sunnybank estate side roads
Emergency Stop	Quiet roads near Pilsworth industrial area

■ RECOMMENDED LESSON PROGRESSION

Lessons	Focus Area	Goal
1 – 5	Moorside / Sunnybank quiet residential areas	Basic control & confidence
6 – 12	Town centre, Manchester Road A56, Walmersley Road	Road awareness & MSM routine
13 – 20	Angouleme Way test routes, A58, dual carriageway	Test route familiarity
Final lessons	Full mock tests on Bury test centre routes	Test readiness & consistency

Nearest Test Centre(s): Bury Test Centre — Angouleme Way, Bury, BL9 0AT