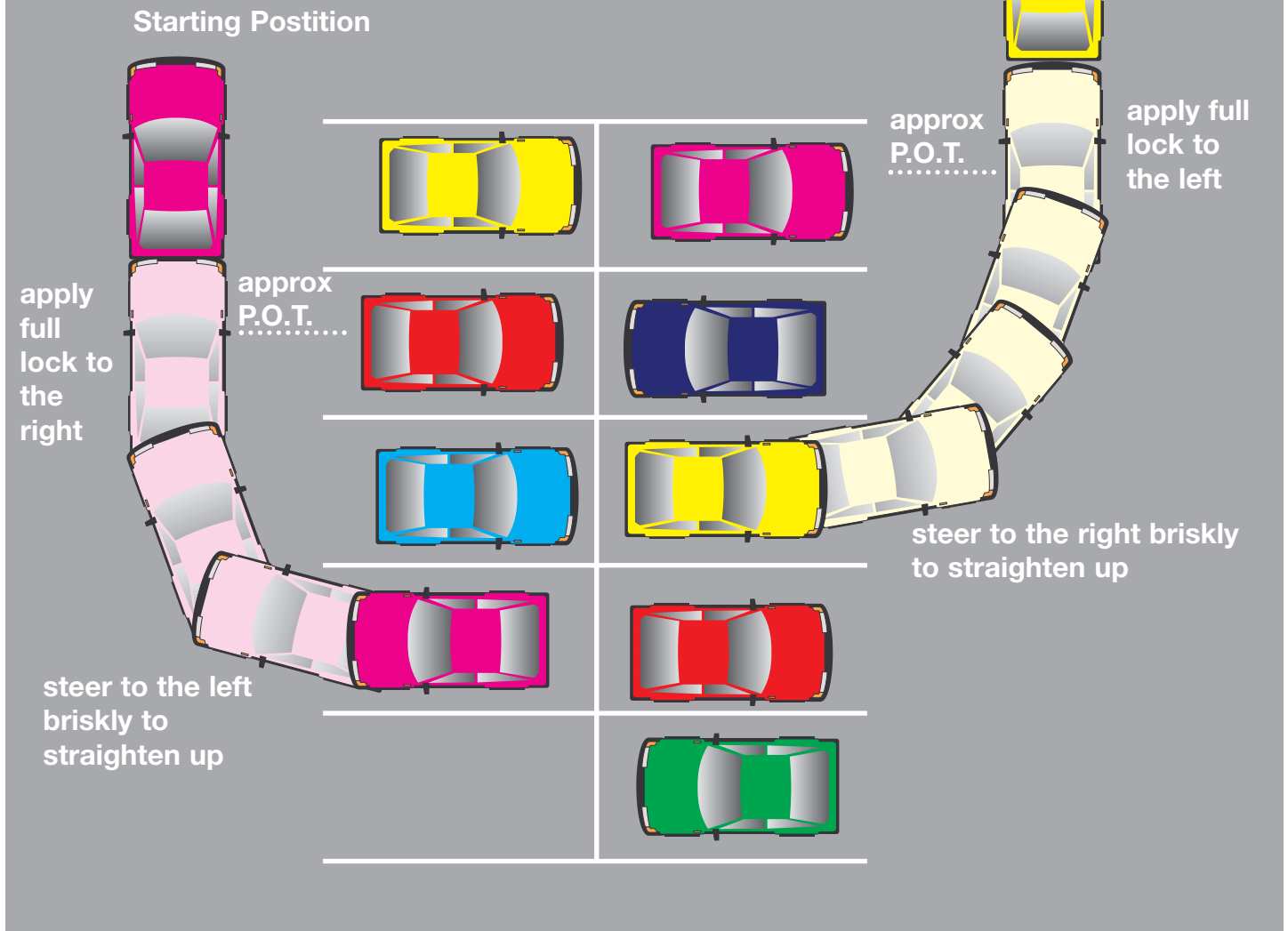


# Reverse parking into a bay

## POINT OF TURN (P.O.T.)

Work out your P.O.T. by practicing in a quiet car park - most bays are the same width or very close. You can use your body position as a guide to judge at what point should you turn in order to end up as central as possible in the bay you require.



## What happens on the driving test?

You will normally get the opportunity to reverse into a bay reserved for test candidates in the test centre car park ready for your test. You may be requested to do this exercise at the beginning of the test or on the way back into the test centre after your drive. You will need to position your car where possible ready to reverse into a bay at a 90° angle as shown in diagram. If at anytime during the manoeuvre vehicles pedestrians or cyclists approach, allow them to pass but don't wave them on.

## Beginning Manoeuvre

Pull out from your bay into the starting position shown (if you are carrying out Manoeuvre at the end of test stop directly into position shown for starting position).

**Prepare** - Reverse gear - biting point

**Observation** - Check mirrors and out of each window to ensure clear. Mainly looking out for pedestrians and oncoming traffic. Remember as it is a car park more pedestrians will be around than normal.

**Move** - You need your car moving slowly when doing any Manoeuvre, so try driving with the car just at or near the biting point to control speed, whilst keeping constant observation (mainly over your left shoulder out of rear window). When you reach your point of turn apply full lock to your left (when reversing into a bay on your left as above) or apply full lock to the right if the bay is on your right. Keep car moving slowly checking out of your door window as your car swings out as you steer. When you've straightened up (your car should be parallel to lines) look back over your left shoulder out of rear window as you reverse.