# My First Car



# Decisions to make when buying

DO you remember your first for a car. In all of the car? Many of us hold fond excitement, you are faced memories of our first set of with a number of decisions wheels, whatever they were buying your first car was always special.

Perhaps you're now on the verge of getting your driver's license and looking

which need to be made before you actually purchase your car.

Before launching your search for a good deal on a used car, spend some time

considering many of the same factors that would apply to a new car purchase.

- ☐ How you will use the vehicle,
- ☐ How long you plan to keep it, ☐ The size, style and features,
- ☐ Appearance.
- ☐ Budget or financing options, ☐ Operation, maintenance and repair

When buying a car privately, the rule is to 'let the buyer beware'.

It is up to you to find out whether the car is of satisfactory quality, to make your own checks on what you are told and to take responsibility for your choice.

Remember that it may be much more difficult for you to enforce your rights against a private individual sale.

You are entitled to expect the vehicle to be capable of passing an MOT test

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The average age of cars in GB is 6.8

years. Cheshire has the youngest cars at 5.6 years old.

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years old.

when you buy it (unless you and the seller clearly agree it is to be sold as scrap).

You can also expect the seller to be the owner or authorised by the owner to sell. If you buy a car later found to be stolen, you have no legal right to keep it. You will have to try to get your money back from the seller.

Whether you're buying a new or a used car, it's important to take a test drive. Start out on town streets and then head out to the motorway. Pay attention to steering ease, turning radius, braking response and acceleration.

Adjust the mirrors and radio while you're driving to test convenience.



FIRST SET OF WHEELS: Make sure you are 'buyer beware' when buying your first car

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