



OT DRIVING ASSESSMENT

Drive Safely, with Freedom and Assurance.

Our OT Driving Assessments will evidence a person's driving capacity, to determine their ability to drive safely and enjoy the independence that comes with driving.

Our experienced team of Driving OT's have additional post-graduate qualifications to assess a person's ability to drive. Our OT's will evaluate the safety of both the driver and their interaction with the broader community. At Verve OT, we believe that driving enables freedom and independence to access their local community to engage in tasks of daily living. Consequently, we want our clients to maintain that freedom, for as long as it is safe to do so; both for themselves and for other road users. For some drivers, this may mean driving only in certain conditions, such as during daylight hours or within a specified distance from their home.

Who should get an OT driving assessment?

- people with physical, cognitive or other impairments that may impact their ability to drive
- young people interested in learning to drive who have a disability that may impact road safety
- people recovering from injury or trauma involving road accidents, perhaps suffering anxiety as a result
- · anyone uncertain about their ability to continue safely driving

What does an OT driving assessment consist of?

An OT driving assessment consists of two components. The off-road component involves assessment and interview with the therapist to assess physical and cognitive capacity. Screening of vision is also undertaken. The on-road component involves assessment in a vehicle with the therapist and a qualified driving instructor. The assessment will evaluate any medical or physical conditions that may impair ability to drive. The assessor will make recommendations on strategies to ensure safety with driving and/or potential modifications to improve driver performance and confidence.

