

# Overtaking a parked vehicle

Cyclists may have to overtake parked vehicles, other cyclists or obstructions such as road works. When overtaking a parked vehicle you need to remember that the doors may open suddenly and people may step out in front of you.

Take a look at the diagram below: Cyclist **A** is approaching a parked car. Number the 7 steps in the circles below into the correct order from 1-7.

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| <input type="radio"/> Put both hands back on handlebars.   | <input type="radio"/> Once you are safely past the obstruction you can return to the left – you don't need to signal and should not cut in too sharply.  |
| <input type="radio"/> Look back.   | <input type="radio"/> Give a lifesaver look back.  |
| <input type="radio"/> Make sure you leave enough room for a car door to open.  | <input type="radio"/> You should look over the left shoulder, making eye contact with any driver and checking that the vehicle is not about to move off. |
| <input type="radio"/> If safe behind, signal clearly with the right arm – holding the signal as you move out towards the centre of the road. |  |

