

May 18, 2018 11:36 BST

RAC comment on remote parking

New laws were introduced yesterday which will permit drivers to use new technology to remotely park their car from June.

The Department for Transport announced updates to the Highway Code which will enable drivers to use advanced driver assistance systems like remote parking and motorway assist.

RAC spokesman Rod Dennis said: "This is welcome news. With the pace of technological change in the automotive sector being so rapid, it is important that the law and the Highway Code keeps up so that motorists can really benefit from new technologies like remote control parking.

"However it is also vital that nothing is done that encourages drivers to activate any of this sort of technology from a phone while inside their vehicle – the driving seat is no place for using something as distracting as a handheld mobile phone.

"And for drivers used to parking in Britain's congested cities, remote control parking is unlikely to unlock the tightest of parking spaces – meaning the skill of being able to do a good parallel park will still be as valuable as ever."

The press office email address is press.office@rac.co.uk and media centre is at media.rac.co.uk. Please note: the press office is unable to help with individual customer enquiries - please visit the RAC contacts page to find the right contact.

About the RAC

The RAC, an iconic UK brand, provides complete peace of mind to more than 13 million private and business drivers, whatever their motoring needs. As well as its premium nationwide breakdown assistance service – with an expert branded patrol workforce attending more than two million breakdowns every year – it offers a wide range of market-leading products across insurance, legal services, vehicle inspections and service, maintenance and repair. The RAC is also at the forefront in helping drivers make the switch to electric vehicles and leads in the development of new solutions for businesses and OEMs, partnering with the best in the motoring and mobility space.

Visit the RAC website.

Contacts



RAC Press Office

Press Contact
press.office@rac.co.uk
Emails monitored during normal office hours. For breakdown
queries, call 0330 159 0740
ISDN number on request