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RAC comments on driverless cars trials on UK motorways

RAC chief engineer David Bizley said: "The RAC recognises that driverless cars have the potential to offer great benefits in terms of improved safety on our roads and the prospect of greater mobility for the disabled and the elderly. They also present an opportunity for the UK to consolidate its standing as a centre of excellence for automotive technology and vehicle manufacture.

"Trials such as those proposed will be essential in proving the capability and reliability of autonomous vehicle technology. Inevitably, however, motorists will be apprehensive about the idea of sharing road space with driverless vehicles; for this reason it will be essential to keep other road users well informed about these trials so they are not surprised or distracted by the presence of a of a driverless car."

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About the RAC

The RAC, an iconic UK brand, provides complete peace of mind to nearly 14 million UK 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. Included in this is the first-of-its-kind nationwide Mobile Mechanics service which brings the garage to homes and workplaces.

At the forefront of new solutions for business fleets and consumers, the RAC's breakdown service is electric-ready with mobile EV charging technology and can be called on using myRAC – the all-in-one route planner, fuel finder and breakdown reporting app.

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