

YOUR CANDIDATE JOURNEY –

Travelling to the Northumbria NMC Competence Test Centre

Please allow plenty of time to travel to the Competence Test Centre. Bear in mind that rush-hour traffic often causes delays. If you arrive late, you might not be able to take the OSCE.

Location of the Competence Test Centre

The Northumbria Competence Test Centre is located at Northumbria University's Coach Lane West Campus, three miles from Newcastle upon Tyne city centre.

The full address is Coach Lane, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE7 7XA

How to get to the Competence Test Centre

By train

You will arrive via train to Newcastle Central Train Station. The station has all major train line companies going through it, including TransPennine Express, Scotrail, Northern Rail, LNER and Cross Country.



A taxi rank can be found right outside Newcastle Central Station. You should ask the driver to take you to Northumbria University, Coach Lane West Campus. The fare will be in the region of £10.

Alternatively, you may wish to use the Stagecoach Number 1 bus service. The bus calls at the stop opposite the station, the journey will take around 30 minutes and the service terminates at Coach Lane Campus (that should be showing as the destination of the bus).

By car

Newcastle upon Tyne is accessible via all major roads including the A1 that connects from the south and north to Scotland. Car parking is available across the road from the Competence Test Centre in the Coach Lane East campus, price around £3 for the full day.



By air

The closest airport to the Competence Test Centre is Newcastle International Airport, where flights from a range of providers offer regular affordable flights to Newcastle.



You can also access the Competence Test Centre using a taxi directly from the airport. The airport has a designated taxi rank that is located just outside of arrivals at the airport. It will take approximately 20 minutes by taxi at a cost of around £20.

Accommodation in Newcastle upon Tyne

There is a fantastic selection of hotels in Newcastle City Centre.

We have identified a number of hotels that are convenient for those arriving via train, air and car. Details of these hotels and the special deals we have secured for candidates can be found on the Northumbria NMC Competence Test Centre website.

