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Ira Gershkoff, Richard Trachtman : Boston Driver's Handbook: The Big Dig Edition before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Boston Driver's Handbook: The Big Dig Edition:

7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Must have for anyone driving in BostonBy Elisabeth RibaThe best kind of humor turns a mirror to the world and shows us the absurdity in our daily lives.On the one hand, this is a very instructional book with good, practical advice on driving and parking in the Boston area. On the other hand, it's simply hysterical. I almost wish I had this book when I first started driving in Massachusetts, but I think having experienced it all before reading the book made it that much funnier.Anyone who lives and drives in Boston, or anyone moving to Boston who plans to drive a car, should read this book. Afterwards, you will fit right in on the Massachusetts roadways. Even if you aren't interested in using these techniques, understanding them helps protect you from other drivers who do. And the more you've actually experienced Boston drivers, the funnier it gets.A sample quote, regarding increased enforcement of traffic laws: "[T]here is a renewed emphasis on FORM. You must avoid the APPEARANCE of impropriety. For example, illegal turns should be done smoothly, without signaling and without guilt. One-way maneuvers should be done in reverse gear -- your car will be facing the right way, you won't stand out, and you won't get a ticket. Establish your rule of the road with finesse and class, so that it appears to be the natural order of things."I hope it comes back in print soon.

This book is about the world of Boston Driving, a fascinating sport currently practiced by two million licensed drivers

in one of America's largest cities. You will find Boston Driving to be full of challenge and highly competitive. It's a dog-eat-dog situation: if you don't look out for Number One, at best you'll be left far, far behind. At worst, you may be tempted to bury your car in a pothole and turn in your license. The sport has spread to other cities, but at this time no other city can come close to matching the caliber of Boston's own Boston Drivers. This longtime favorite is now expanded to cover the worst challenge Boston Drivers have faced in years (and will face for years to come): The Central Artery/Tunnel Project, better known as the Big Dig. Inside you'll find a complete guide to the burial of Boston's busiest highway, the building of a new harbor tunnel, and the many backups these changes will cause. Read how Boston Drivers deal with pedestrians and potholes, bicyclists and buses, toll booths and the Tobin Bridge. Learn such time-saving maneuvers as Blacking, the Boston Left Turn, and the Gas Station Right. Whether you're a commuter, a tourist, or a brand-new Boston Driver, don't leave your driveway without The Boston Driver's Handbook. /LONG the right car to own in Boston where to park in different neighborhoods riding the worst roads in and around the city keeping one step ahead of the Denver Boot the deceptive use of signals driving and parking after a winter storms

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