

**7411.0630 INSTRUCTOR TRAINING QUALIFICATIONS.**

Subpart 1. **Generally.** The training requirements for an instructor who provides instruction in a driver education program are specified in this part.

Subp. 2. **Initial training.** An individual must satisfactorily complete training approved by the commissioner to be an instructor in a program that provides instruction to operate a motor vehicle.

A. An individual may not provide instruction until:

(1) the commissioner approves the public or private program; or

(2) the individual is licensed as an instructor for a commercial driver training program.

B. Satisfactory completion of instructor training must be provided by the instructor applicant to the commissioner.

Subp. 3. **Classroom instructor in class D program.** To provide classroom instruction in a program providing instruction to operate a class D motor vehicle, the individual must document and demonstrate competency of the individual's:

A. knowledge of the classroom curriculum for class D motor vehicles specified in part 7411.0515, subpart 2;

B. ability to identify and apply current state law and regulations applicable to the ownership and operation of a class D vehicle;

C. organization of lessons and preparation to conduct classroom instruction;

D. ability to maintain a learning environment and management of a class;

E. ability to assess, monitor, and adjust performance as necessary;

F. time management;

G. record keeping in compliance with this chapter;

H. written communication skills;

I. ability to contact first aid resources in the event of an emergency;

J. oral instruction presentation and delivery techniques;

K. ability to use visual aids and technical apparatus pertinent to the program's curriculum;  
and

L. completion of team teaching with a qualified instructor.

Subp. 4. **Laboratory instructor in class D program.** To provide instruction in a program providing instruction to operate a class D motor vehicle, the individual must document and demonstrate competency of the individual's:

- A. knowledge of the class D vehicle laboratory curriculum specified in part 7411.0515, subpart 3;
- B. ability to provide instruction and demonstrate vehicle operation and control from the right passenger position;
- C. use of vehicle tools for vehicle control;
- D. oral instruction presentation and delivery techniques;
- E. ability to plan and maintain the scheduling of lessons, in the case of an instructor who must plan lessons and schedule lessons;
- F. ability to develop training routes;
- G. ability to respond calmly and decisively to instruction situations;
- H. ability to develop task breakdown explanations;
- I. ability to role play while behind-the-wheel with another qualified instructor;
- J. ability to organize lessons;
- K. ability to conduct performance assessments;
- L. ability to demonstrate safe personal driving skills;
- M. ability to identify and apply current state law and regulations applicable to the ownership and operation of a class D vehicle;
- N. ability to contact first aid resources in the event of an emergency; and
- O. ability to comment on the driving environment while safely operating the motor vehicle.

Subp. 5. **Instructor with board credential.** An individual with a Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board license and certification under part 8710.4350 (2003) meets the requirements in subparts 3 and 4.

Subp. 6. **Class A, B, or C motor vehicle training instructor.** An instructor providing instruction to operate a class A, B, or C motor vehicle must have a commercial driver's license representative of the vehicle class used for instruction.

A. To provide instruction in a program for the operation of a class A, B, or C motor vehicle, the instructor must successfully complete training to operate the class of motor vehicle for which instruction will be provided.

B. To qualify as an instructor, the individual must document and demonstrate competency of the individual's:

- (1) knowledge of the motor vehicle class;

- (2) knowledge of federal and state laws and regulations related to the class of motor vehicle for which instruction will be provided;
  - (3) written communication skills;
  - (4) oral instruction presentation and delivery techniques;
  - (5) ability to conduct performance assessments;
  - (6) ability to control driving activities on the range;
  - (7) experience, by a showing of 3,000 hours within the last five years of experience operating the class of vehicle for which instruction will be provided;
  - (8) ability to develop training routes and ranges;
  - (9) record keeping in compliance with state rules and federal regulations;
  - (10) ability to develop and maintain a learning environment;
  - (11) ability to give clear and concise directions;
  - (12) ability to develop task breakdown explanations;
  - (13) ability to organize and deliver lessons;
  - (14) ability to respond calmly and decisively to instruction situations;
  - (15) time management;
  - (16) ability to comment on the driving environment while safely operating the motor vehicle;
  - (17) ability to take control of the vehicle from the right passenger seat of the vehicle;
- and
- (18) ability to contact first aid resources in the event of an emergency.

**Subp. 7. Training for motorcycle instructor.** To be an instructor in a program providing instruction on the operation of a motorcycle, a person must satisfactorily complete motorcycle instructor training provided by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation or another training course that provides the training described in this subpart.

A. The training must consist of at least 45 hours of instruction.

B. Instructor training must include:

- (1) 8-1/2 hours of instruction on classroom instruction techniques and classroom course content;
- (2) 11-1/2 hours of instruction on laboratory instruction techniques and laboratory course content;

(3) 11 hours of peer instruction, with each instructor-student acting as both an instructor and a student to other instructor-students in the class; and

(4) 14 hours of participation as a student instructor in a program providing instruction to operate a motorcycle, with the student-instructor providing instruction for a portion of both the classroom and laboratory phases of the program.

Subp. 8. **Requirement to renew motorcycle instructor license.** To qualify for renewal of a license to provide instruction to operate a motorcycle, an instructor must provide instruction for at least two courses on the operation of a motorcycle during the two-year period preceding renewal.

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