

1 Department of Public Safety

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3 Adopted Rules Governing Motor Vehicle Accident Prevention
4 Courses

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6 Rules as Adopted

7 7411.7100 PURPOSE.

8 The purpose of parts 7411.7100 to 7411.7700 is to
9 effectuate the mandate of the legislature as set forth in
10 Minnesota Statutes, section 65B.28, to establish and regulate
11 accident prevention courses for persons 65 years of age and
12 older.

13 7411.7200 SCOPE.

14 The scope of parts 7411.7100 to 7411.7700 is confined to
15 and consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 65B.28.

16 7411.7300 DEFINITIONS.

17 Subpart 1. Scope. The terms used in parts 7411.7100 to
18 7411.7700 have the meanings given them in this part.

19 Subp. 2. Certificate. "Certificate" means a course
20 completion certification.

21 Subp. 3. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the
22 commissioner of the Department of Public Safety.

23 Subp. 4. Satisfactorily complete. "Satisfactorily
24 complete" means attendance at all periods of the course offered.

25 7411.7400 APPLICATION TO PROVIDE COURSE.

26 A person or organization may apply for approval to offer an
27 accident prevention course to insureds 65 years of age and
28 older. The application must include the name of the person or
29 organization offering the course, the name of the course
30 administrator, an outline of the course curriculum, and the
31 amount of the fees to be charged.

32 7411.7500 APPLICATION APPROVAL.

33 Subpart 1. When application received. Upon receiving an
34 application from a person or an organization for the approval of

1 an accident prevention course, the commissioner shall review the
2 information submitted, determine approval, and if approved,
3 issue a certificate of approval.

4 Subp. 2. Approval withdrawal. With evidence that an
5 approved accident prevention course is operated contrary to
6 Minnesota Statutes, section 65B.28 or parts 7411.7100 to
7 7411.7700, the commissioner shall notify the sponsoring person
8 or organization in writing that approval is withdrawn, whereupon
9 the certificate of approval must be returned.

10 7411.7600 REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL AND OPERATION.

11 Subpart 1. Certificate of approval. No accident
12 prevention course is approved for purposes of an automobile
13 insurance premium reduction if the course provider does not have
14 a certificate of approval issued by the commissioner under part
15 7411.7500, subpart 1.

16 Subp. 2. Operation responsibility. The operation of each
17 accident prevention program, including course content, methods
18 of instruction, and general conduct of the course, is the
19 responsibility of the designated course administrator.

20 Subp. 3. Course length restrictions. The course of study
21 may not be less than a total of eight hours, with no more than
22 ~~three~~ four hours of instruction required in a 24-hour period.

23 Subp. 4. Subjects. The curriculum of the course must
24 include periods of instruction in the following subject areas:

25 A. orientation and administration;

26 B. driver fitness, including emotions, frustrations,
27 attitudes, temporary disabilities, vision, hearing, chronic
28 illness, drugs, and alcohol; and

29 C. driving strategies, including factors affecting
30 perception, identification, and prediction of traffic
31 situations; evaluation of traffic hazards; decision making; and
32 defensive driving.

33 Subp. 5. Workshops. Each administrator or an instructor
34 designated by the administrator shall attend any workshop set up
35 by the sponsor to develop curricula, to share ideas, or to
36 discuss methods of improvement of the course of instruction.

1 Subp. 6. Recordkeeping. The administrator of each
2 accident prevention course shall keep attendance records and
3 shall report to the sponsor whether each individual enrolled has
4 satisfactorily completed or failed to complete the course.

5 Subp. 7. Certificate of completion. The administrator
6 shall issue a certificate of completion to each person who
7 satisfactorily completes the accident prevention course.

8 7411.7700 QUALIFICATION FOR INSURANCE PREMIUM REDUCTION.

9 Satisfactory completion of an approved accident prevention
10 course evidenced by possession of a certificate of completion
11 indicates that the insured has met the requirements of Minnesota
12 Statutes, section 65B.28 for an appropriate automobile insurance
13 premium reduction. Persons 65 years of age or older who
14 complete an accident prevention course every three years remain
15 eligible for an appropriate automobile insurance premium
16 reduction.