

ALBERTA DRIVER EDUCATION STANDARDS: MOTORCYCLES

Overview

Regulating agency: Alberta Transportation

Effective date of regulations enacted:

AGE REQUIREMENTS

- ☒ Minimum enrolment age: 16 years

EDUCATIONAL SETTING

- ☐ High schools
- ☒ Private driving schools
- ☐ Home computer-based instruction
- ☐ Other

ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

- ☐ High school student status
- ☒ Must hold a valid Learner's licence
- ☒ Registration/enrolment fee
- ☐ Course fees subsidized for students
- ☐ Parent/guardian consent
- ☐ Other requirements

COURSE STRUCTURE

In-classroom

- ☐ Minimum total number of hours
- ☐ Number of sessions
- ☒ Length of each session: Weekday evenings are usually 3 to 4 hours, and weekends 6 to 8 hours
- ☐ Additional sessions available

In-vehicle, on range/track: Available, but not designated; may be supplemented with on-road training

- ☐ Minimum total number of hours
- ☐ Number of sessions
- ☐ Length of each session
- ☐ Additional sessions available

On-vehicle, on road: May supplement on-lot training

- ☐ Minimum total number of hours
- ☐ Number of sessions
- ☐ Length of each session
- ☐ Additional lessons available

Driving simulator

- ☐ Minimum total number of hours
- ☐ Number of sessions
- ☐ Length of each session
- ☐ Additional sessions available

Parent / guardian session(s)

- ☐ Minimum total number of hours
- ☐ Number of sessions
- ☐ Length of each session
- ☐ Additional sessions available

CURRICULUM CONTENT*

- ☒ Basic driving procedures and manoeuvres
- ☒ Braking
- ☒ Crashes and injury prevention
- ☐ Defensive driving
- ☒ Driver communication skills

- ☒ Driver distractions
- ☒ Driver fitness to drive
- ☒ Driver impairments
- ☒ Driver observation skills / visual tracking
- ☒ Driver psychology
- ☒ Driver responsibility
- ☒ Emergency situations / manoeuvres
- ☒ Fuel efficient driving
- ☒ Graduated driver licensing system
- ☒ Hazard perception and recognition
- ☒ Highway driving
- ☐ Insurance
- ☒ Lane changes / Safe passing
- ☒ Legal awareness
- ☒ Night driving
- ☒ Parking
- ☒ Pre-driving checks and procedures
- ☒ Risk perception / management
- ☒ Rules of the road
- ☒ Sharing the road
- ☒ Signs, signals, and road markings
- ☒ Space management
- ☒ Traffic and roadway conditions / environmental conditions
- ☒ Turns and U-Turns
- ☒ Vehicle control
- ☒ Vehicle systems / parts and performance

*These are general topics and some jurisdictions may contain curriculum components that are more in specific, i.e. 2- or 3-points turns, parallel parking, etc.

COMPETENCY MEASURES

Pre-assessment:

- ☐ In-classroom
- ☐ In-vehicle

Intermediate assessment:

- ☐ In-classroom
- ☐ In-vehicle

Final exam:

- ☐ In-classroom
- ☐ In-vehicle

INSTRUCTOR REGULATIONS (IN-CLASS)

- ☒ Certifications / designations: Must successfully complete knowledge and practical tests, administered by Alberta Transportation
- ☐ Age
- ☒ Licence held: Class 6
- ☒ Driver / criminal record check
- ☐ Minimum driving experience

TRAINING VEHICLE

- ☒ Vehicle class used: Class 6
- ☒ Required insurance: The holder of a driver training school licence must maintain the following insurance:
 - a Driver Training School Standard Endorsement Form number 6d under the Insurance Act in respect of each motor vehicle owned by the holder that is used or intended to be used for driver training by the school;
 - a non-owned automobile liability insurance policy in respect of each motor vehicle not owned by the holder that is used or intended to be used for driver training by the school.
- ☐ Vehicle signage
- ☐ Passenger restrictions
- ☒ Additional vehicle requirements: Training vehicles must be inspected annually if the vehicle is more than 1 year old

INSTRUCTOR REGULATIONS (IN-VEHICLE)

- ☒ Certifications/designations: Must successfully complete knowledge and practical tests, administered by Alberta

- Transportation
- ☐ Age
- ☒ Licence held: Class 6
- ☒ Minimal driving experience: 3 years
- ☒ Driver/Criminal record check:
- The Registrar may refuse to issue an instructor's licence to a person if during the 5 years immediately preceding the application date,
 - (i) the person was convicted of an offence under the Criminal Code (Canada) that is related to the functions, duties or business of a driving instructor, including, without limitation, the offences of forgery, the use of false pretences, bribery, extortion, conspiracy to defraud or theft or an offence involving moral turpitude or the unlawful operation of a vehicle, and
 - (ii) the conviction is final by reason of the expiry of the time for appeal without the appeal's having been made or the final disposition of the appeal by the courts
 - The Registrar must refuse to issue an instructor's licence to a person if
 - (a) the person's operator's licence has been suspended or cancelled during the 2 years immediately preceding the application date, or
 - (b) the person has accumulated 7 or more demerit points under the Use of Highway and Rules of the Road Regulation when the application is made
- ☒ Location while instructing: On another bike
- ☐ BAC level while instructing
- ☒ Additional regulations: Instructors must maintain a minimum number of teaching hours over a two year period to have their instructor's licences renewed

COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

- ☐ Successfully complete minimum in-classroom instruction hours
- ☐ Successfully complete in-classroom evaluation
- ☐ Successfully complete minimum in-vehicle instruction hours
- ☐ Successfully complete in-vehicle evaluation

FOLLOWING PROGRAM COMPLETION

- ☐ Driver education certification issued to student
- ☐ Time-reduction in GDL program (number of months)
- ☐ Insurance discount

PRACTICE DRIVING (WITH PARENT/GUARDIAN)

- ☐ Minimum practice driving hours
- ☐ Maximum period to complete the practice hours
- ☐ Practice hours recorded on a log sheet

SUPERVISOR (PARENT/GUARDIAN) REGULATIONS

- ☐ Minimum Age
- ☐ Licence held
- ☐ Time licensed
- ☐ BAC level while supervising
- ☐ Location while supervising
- ☐ Driver log

ADDITIONAL FEATURES

LIST OF APPROVED DRIVER EDUCATION SCHOOLS IN ALBERTA

DRIVER EDUCATION REGULATORY INFORMATION

Regulating Agency:

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 Fax: 1-780-466-3166

Website: <http://www.infratrans.gov.ab.ca/>

How to choose a driving school and what to expect -

http://www.infratrans.gov.ab.ca/INFTRA_Content/docType47/Production/class-5roadtestchoosingschool.pdf

Legislation:

(Consolidated up to 101/2006)

ALBERTA REGULATION 316/2002

Traffic Safety Act

DRIVER TRAINING AND DRIVER

EXAMINATION REGULATION

http://www.qp.gov.ab.ca/documents/Regs/2002_316.cfm?frm_isbn=0779741064