

MANITOBA DRIVER EDUCATION STANDARDS: PASSENGER VEHICLES

Overview

Regulating agency: Manitoba Public Insurance (MPI)

Effective date of regulations enacted:

AGE REQUIREMENTS

- ☒ Minimum enrolment age to driver education program: 15.5 years

EDUCATIONAL SETTING

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

ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

- ☒ Highschool student status: Full time
- ☐ Must hold a valid Learner's permit
- ☒ Registration/enrolment fee: \$50
- ☒ Course fees subsidized for students: Student pays the \$50 course fee, MPI covers the rest (approximately \$300 per student)
- ☒ Parent/guardian consent
- ☒ Additional requirements: Before or following registration, students must register as Manitoba Public Insurance customers before they can write the Class 5L test in the Driver Education class. They can register by taking their identity documents to any Autopac agent or any Driver Licensing and Testing Centre. Students must pass the Class 5 Learner's Licence Written Test and validate their Learner's Licence before they can begin in-car training.

COURSE STRUCTURE

In-classroom

- ☒ Minimum total number of hours: Must attend 30/34 scheduled classroom hours; all absences must be excused
- ☐ Number of sessions
- ☐ Length of each session
- ☐ Additional sessions available

In-vehicle, on range/track

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

In-vehicle, on road

- ☒ Minimum total number of hours: 16 hours of in-car lessons (8 hours behind the wheel, 8 hours observation)
- ☐ 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: One parent/guardian or supervising driver is required to attend the parent night meeting
- ☐ 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
- ☐ Standard transmission
- ☒ Traffic and roadway conditions / environmental conditions
- ☒ Turns and U-Turns
- ☐ Vehicle control
- ☐ Vehicle systems / parts and performance

COMPETENCY MEASURES

Pre-assessment:

- ☐ In-classroom
- ☐ In-vehicle

Intermediate assessment:

- ☐ In-classroom
- ☒ In-vehicle: A parent/guardian/supervising driver must sign an In-car Interim Report after Driving Lesson 4

Final exam:

- ☐ In-classroom
- ☒ In-vehicle: In Lesson 7, the instructor fills out a Practice Guide to help prepare the student for the final in-car evaluation. After Lesson 8, the in-car instructor completes an In-Car Final Report that indicates whether or not the student successfully met Driver Education in-car standards

INSTRUCTOR REGULATIONS (IN-CLASS)

- ☐ Certifications / designations
- ☐ Minimum age
- ☒ Licence held: Valid Class 1F, 2F, 3F, 4F or 5F licence
- ☐ Driver / criminal record check
- ☒ Minimum driving experience: Held a Class 5F licence for at least 3 years

TRAINING VEHICLE

- ☒ Vehicle class used: Class 5
- ☒ Dual control brakes
- ☐ Automatic / manual transmission
- ☐ Required insurance
- ☐ Vehicle signage
- ☒ Passenger restrictions: Supervisor can be the only passenger
- ☒ Additional vehicle requirements: Vehicle must have special rear-view mirrors firmly affixed to the vehicle to allow a driving instructor a clear and unobstructed view of the highway to the rear of the vehicle

INSTRUCTOR REGULATIONS (IN-VEHICLE)

- ☒ Certifications/designations: Holds a driving instructor's permit

- ☐ Minimum age
- ☐ Licence held
- ☒ Minimum driving experience: Held a Class 5F for at least 3 years
- ☒ Driver/Criminal record check
- ☐ Location in vehicle while instructing
- ☒ BAC level while supervising: Not exceeding 0.05
- ☐ Additional regulations

COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

- ☒ Successfully complete minimum in-classroom instruction hours
- ☒ Successfully complete in-classroom evaluation: Student must maintain a 70% classroom average and satisfactorily complete all classroom tests and assignments, including:
 - 2 classroom tests – each worth 35%
 - Classroom Assignments and Groups Activities – worth 20%
 - Student Participation – worth 10%
- ☒ 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: 24
- ☒ Maximum period to complete the practice hours: 9 months
- ☒ Practice hours recorded on a log sheet: Home-Based Practice Log

SUPERVISOR (PARENT/GUARDIAN) REGULATIONS

- ☐ Minimum Age
- ☐ Licence held
- ☐ Time licensed
- ☐ BAC level while supervising
- ☐ Location while supervising
- ☒ Driver log: The student and parent/guardian/supervising driver must log and provide verification for 24 practice driving hours on the Home-Based Practice Log

ADDITIONAL FEATURES

LIST OF APPROVED DRIVER EDUCATION SCHOOLS IN MANITOBA

DRIVER EDUCATION REGULATORY INFORMATION

Regulating Agency:

Manitoba Public Insurance
 Box 6300
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 Ph: 1-800-665-2410
 Website: <http://www.mpi.mb.ca>

Legislation:

Highway Traffic Act - <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/ccsm/h060e.php>
 Driver's and Vehicle Act - <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/ccsm/d104e.php>