

QUEBEC DRIVER EDUCATION STANDARDS: MOTORCYCLES

Overview

Regulating agency: Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec (SAAQ)

Effective date of regulations enacted:

AGE REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum enrolment age to driver education program: 16 years

EDUCATIONAL SETTING

- Highschools
- Private driving schools
- Home computer-based instruction
- Other: Recognized driving school

ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

- Highschool student status
- Must hold valid Learner's permit: For practice
- Registration/enrolment fee
- Course fees subsidized for students
- Parent/guardian consent: If less than 18 years of age
- Additional requirements: SAAQ courses/program

COURSE STRUCTURE

In-classroom

- Minimum total number of hours: 14 hours
- Number of sessions: 14 sessions
- Length of each session: 55 minutes
- Additional sessions available

On-vehicle, on range/track

- Minimum total number of hours: 18 hours
- Number of sessions: 18 sessions on closed track
- Length of each session: 55 minutes
- Additional sessions available

On-vehicle, on road

- Minimum total number of hours: 4 hours
- Number of sessions: 4 sessions on road
- Length of each session: 55 minutes
- Additional lessons available

Driving simulator

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

Parent / guardian session(s): During probationary stage on learner's licence

- 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

COMPETENCY MEASURES

Pre-assessment: Administered by the driving school

- In-classroom
- On-vehicle

Intermediate assessment:

- In-classroom
- On-vehicle

Final exam: Administered by SAAQ

- In-classroom
- On-vehicle

INSTRUCTOR REGULATIONS (IN-CLASS)

- Certifications / designations
- Age: 18 years
- Licence held: Class 6
- Driver / criminal record check
- Minimum driving experience: 24 months regular licence

TRAINING VEHICLE

- Vehicle class used
- Dual control brakes
- Automatic / manual transmission
- Required insurance
- Vehicle signage
- Passenger restrictions
- Additional vehicle requirements

INSTRUCTOR REGULATIONS (On vehicle)

- Certifications / designations
- Age: 18 years
- Licence held: Class 6
- Minimum driving experience: 24 months regular licence
- Driver/Criminal record check
- Location while instructing
- BAC level while supervising: Zero
- Additional regulations

COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

- Successfully complete minimum in-classroom instruction hours: 14 hours
- Successfully complete in-classroom evaluation: Pre-assessment administered by the driving school
- Successfully complete minimum on-vehicle instruction hours: 22 hours (18 hours on closed track, 4 hours on road)
- Successfully complete on-vehicle evaluation: Administered by SAAQ

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: 2 years (during the probationary stage of learner's licence)
- 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 QUEBEC

CAA Quebec – Approved driving schools: <http://www.caaquebec.com/Automobile/EcoleConduiteRecommandes/?lang=en>

Association Québécois de transport est des routes – Écoles de conduite:
<http://www.aqtr.qc.ca/cgi-cs/cs.waframe.content?topic=25474&lang=1>

DRIVER EDUCATION REGULATORY INFORMATION

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Legislation: