

What to expect from Segment 1 Driver Education

Student Eligibility

- A student must have reached the age of 14 years and 8 months by the first day of Segment 1.
- Permission from a parent or legal guardian.

Classroom Requirements

- A minimum of 24 hours of instruction.
- A maximum of 2 hours of instruction per day.
- A maximum of 36 students per class (no exception).
- Home study time is not considered time earned toward the 24-hour classroom requirement.
- A student must pass the state-approved written test for consideration of a certificate of completion. The driver education program provider may have additional classroom requirements that must be met to award a certificate including: attendance, homework and additional testing requirements. Passing the state test does not guarantee that a student has passed the classroom phase.

Driving Instruction Requirements

- A minimum of 4 hours of classroom instruction must be completed prior to beginning driving instruction.
- A minimum of 3 hours of driving instruction must be completed before the last classroom session. The remaining driving instruction must be completed no later than 3 weeks after the final classroom instruction.
- A minimum of 6 hours of on-the-road driving instruction. A maximum of 2 hours of driving instruction on a multiple vehicle driving facility (range) may be counted toward the 6-hour requirement. However, a student must receive at least 4 hours of on-the-road driving instruction.
- A maximum of 1 hour of driving instruction per day is allowed
- The maximum number of students in a driver education vehicle is 4. No more than 2 people can occupy the front seat. In addition, a student will not be given driving instruction individually unless there is written consent from a parent.
- A student must receive 4 hours or more of observation time in the training vehicle.

Parent Driving Permit

A driver education provider may offer a Parent Driving Permit to a student (and parent) to allow him or her to acquire extra practice driving with a parent while attending a Segment 1 course.