

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

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Any person who loses his/her license under the Nebraska Point System or any person who is under 21 years of age and has accumulated six or more points within a 12 month period is required to attend and successfully complete a driver's education and training course consisting of at least four hours of instruction approved by the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Such instruction must be successfully completed before the license and privilege to operate a motor vehicle may be reinstated. Each person who attends such instruction shall pay for the cost of such course.

For the driver who is under 21 years of age and has accumulated six or more points within a 12-month period, such person shall be notified by the DMV of that fact and ordered to attend and successfully complete a driver improvement course consisting of at least four hours of department approved instruction. Such instruction must be successfully completed within three months after notification from the Department of Motor Vehicles. Each person who attends such instruction shall pay for the cost of such course.

The Department of Motor Vehicles will send a list of all certified organizations where this required instruction might be obtained along with any notices sent to the individual required to complete the course. An individual will be allowed to make the choice of the agency and location most convenient.

In addition, any person who has fewer than 12 points assessed against his or her driving record may voluntarily attend an approved driver improvement course (certified by the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles). Such course shall consist of at least four hours of instruction and shall follow such other guidelines as are established by the Department. Upon notification of successful completion of such course by the conducting organization, the DMV shall reduce by two the number of points assessed against the individual's driving record within the previous two years. An individual may volunteer to attend an approved driver improvement course only once within a five-year period.

The following minimum standards must be met before certification of any training course will be granted:

I. COURSE CONTENT

- A. All courses being offered must be submitted in their entirety to the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles for approval prior to certification. This shall include a copy of all course materials including the examination and the scoring methodology to be utilized.
- B. The courses must consist of a minimum of four hours of instruction relating to driver improvement for any person who loses his/her license under the Nebraska Point System or voluntarily attends an approved driver improvement course; and a minimum of four hours of instruction relating to driver improvement for any person who is under 21 years of age and has accumulated six or more points within a 12-month period.

- C. The courses must be a comprehensive survey of motor vehicle operation and related factors that contribute to safe and responsible driving. The following minimum criteria must be included:
1. Thirty minutes of instruction on Nebraska Rules of the Road.
 2. Thirty minutes of general attitude improvement.
 3. Three hours of approved safe driving instruction including information on:
 - a. The various causes of traffic crashes.
 - b. The various types of traffic crashes.
 - c. How to avoid becoming involved in a traffic crash.
 - d. How to minimize the impact and damage if involved in a traffic crash.
 4. Three and one-half hours behind the wheel driving instruction may be substituted for items 2 and 3.
- D. Classroom instruction must be a combination of lecture, student response and participation. The driver education and training course must be conducted in a classroom setting, either in person or online. No mail correspondence or self-instruction will be allowed.
- E. The classroom course must conclude with a comprehensive examination that is designed to test the student's total knowledge of proper driving techniques. A qualified instructor of the certified training organization must proctor the actual testing of the comprehensive examination. An attendee must score at least 80 percent on the test instrument in order to successfully complete the program.

II. FACILITIES AND PERSONNEL

- A. Each training organization must establish criteria and training programs to ensure that each instructor is qualified to conduct such courses.
- B. Class size is limited to a ratio of 25 students per each instructor.
- C. Adequate facilities, complete with proper instructional equipment, must be provided to create an acceptable learning environment.

III. NOTIFICATION OF COURSE COMPLETION

- A. Upon successful completion of the approved course by the student, the personnel of the certified training organization will enter the following required information in the internet-based system provided by Nebraska Interactive:

1. License number
2. First and last name of student
3. Course completion date
4. Code of organization that gave instruction
5. Reason for class:
 - a. Reinstatement of Point Revocation
 - b. Underage 21 Six Point Accumulation
 - c. Two point credit to driving violations

B. Nebraska Interactive then sends the data hourly to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

IV. ENFORCEMENT AND CERTIFICATION TERMINATION

- A. Each course offered by a certified training organization may be periodically audited by Department of Motor Vehicle representatives in order to review the overall compliance with these provisions. Each certified training agency agrees to allow such audits.
- B. If at any time the Department of Motor Vehicles obtains information that a certified training organization is not in compliance with these provisions, the Director shall take action to withdraw the certification of such organization, instructors, or courses.

CERTIFIED:



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