CHAPTER 7411
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
DRIVER EDUCATION

7411.0100 DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subps 1 to 12, see M.R.]

Subp. 12a. **Duty status record-keeping offense.** "Duty status record-keeping offense" means a violation of a Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration regulation codified in Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 395.8, as amended.

[For text of subps 13 to 19, see M.R.]

Subp. 19a. **License.** "License" means either:

A. the document issued by the commissioner authorizing the operation of a commercial driver training school under this chapter and Minnesota Statutes, sections 171.33 to 171.41; or

B. the document issued by the commissioner under Minnesota Statutes, section 171.35, authorizing a person to act as an instructor in a commercial driver training school.

Subp. 20. [Repealed, 34 SR 767]

[For text of subps 20a to 22d, see M.R.]

Subp. 22e. **Range driving.** "Range driving" means that portion of the laboratory instruction where an instructor is positioned outside a motor vehicle but remains in electronic or oral communication with the student driver, and in visual contact with the motor vehicle.

[For text of subps 23 and 23a, see M.R.]

Subp. 24. **Traffic violation.** "Traffic violation" means a violation of a traffic law or ordinance involving the movement or operation of a motor vehicle that is not:

A. a parking or motor vehicle equipment offense, a duty status record-keeping offense, or an offense involving the nonpayment of a fine or child support;

B. a violation under Minnesota Statutes, section 169.09 (accident stop or reporting), or a comparable law of another state; or

C. a violation under Minnesota Statutes, section 65B.48 (motor vehicle insurance), or a comparable law of another state.

[For text of subps 25 and 26, see M.R.]

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7411.0515 CURRICULUM FOR DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

Subpart 1. **Scope.** This part applies to all driver education programs.

Subp. 2. **Classroom curriculum for class D motor vehicles.** The classroom curriculum presented and delivered to each student enrolled in a program for class D motor vehicle operation must include:

[For text of items A to C, see M.R.]

D. opportunity for the student to identify and analyze a variety of driving decisions about roadway characteristics and highway users including, but not limited to, safe interaction with:

(1) bicycles, other nonmotorized vehicles, and pedestrians; and

(2) commercial motor vehicles, with instruction to include information about truck stopping distances; proper following distances; and identification of, and avoidance of driving in, truck blind spots;

[For text of items E to J, see M.R.]

K. at least 30 minutes of instruction on the duties of the driver when encountering a school bus; the content and requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 169.444; and the penalties for violating that section;

[For text of items L to O, see M.R.]

Subp. 3. **Laboratory curriculum for class D motor vehicles.** The laboratory curriculum presented and delivered to each student enrolled in a program for class D motor vehicles must include:

[For text of items A to F, see M.R.]

G. practical application of the classroom instruction on safe interaction with commercial motor vehicles described in subpart 2, item D;

H. strategies for perceiving and responding to adverse and special conditions and emergencies; and

I. a written evaluation, self-evaluation, and plan for future improvement.

[For text of subp 4, see M.R.]

Subp. 5. **Motorcycle classroom curriculum.** The classroom curriculum presented for a driver education program for a motorcycle endorsement must meet the requirements in either item A or B.

A. The classroom curriculum must be the Motorcycle Safety Foundation Basic Rider Course and also address the provisions in Minnesota Statutes, section 169.974. The MSF Basic RiderCourse RiderCoach Guide, published by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (2008), is incorporated by reference and is not subject to frequent change. The manual is available through the interlibrary loan system or a copy may be obtained from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, 2 Jenner Street, Suite 150, Irvine, California, 92618-3806.

[For text of item B, see M.R.]

[For text of subps 6 and 7, see M.R.]

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7411.0655 COMMERCIAL PROGRAM INSTRUCTOR LICENSE.

Subpart 1. **Instructor license application; duplicate license.** Application for a new license or for renewal of a license to be an instructor in a commercial driver training school must be made on a format prescribed by the commissioner.

A. The application for an instructor's license must be signed by the applicant and the authorized official of the commercial driver training school where the instructor is employed or is to be employed.

B. The license is valid only while the instructor is in the employment of the commercial driver training school.

C. When the employment of an instructor with the commercial driver training school is terminated, the license of the instructor becomes invalid and must be surrendered to the commissioner within ten days.

D. The authorized official of the commercial driver training school shall notify the commissioner in writing within five days of termination of a licensed instructor.

E. The commissioner shall issue a duplicate license for employment at another licensed commercial driver training school if the applicant continues to be qualified as an instructor.

[For text of item F, see M.R.]

G. An instructor may be licensed at the same time by separate commercial driver training schools if the applicant continues to be qualified as an instructor and holds separate licenses for each program.

[For text of item H, see M.R.]

[For text of subps 2 to 4, see M.R.]

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