

Free Motorcycle Instruction

The Beginner Courses and the Experienced Courses are offered to Illinois residents 16 years of age or older who hold a valid automobile or motorcycle driver's license or permit.

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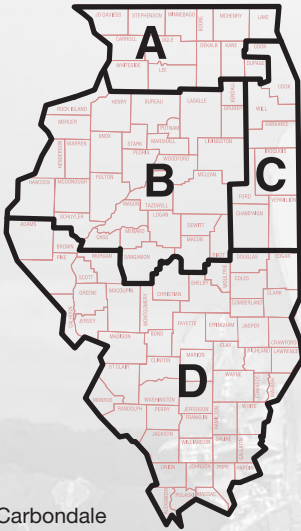
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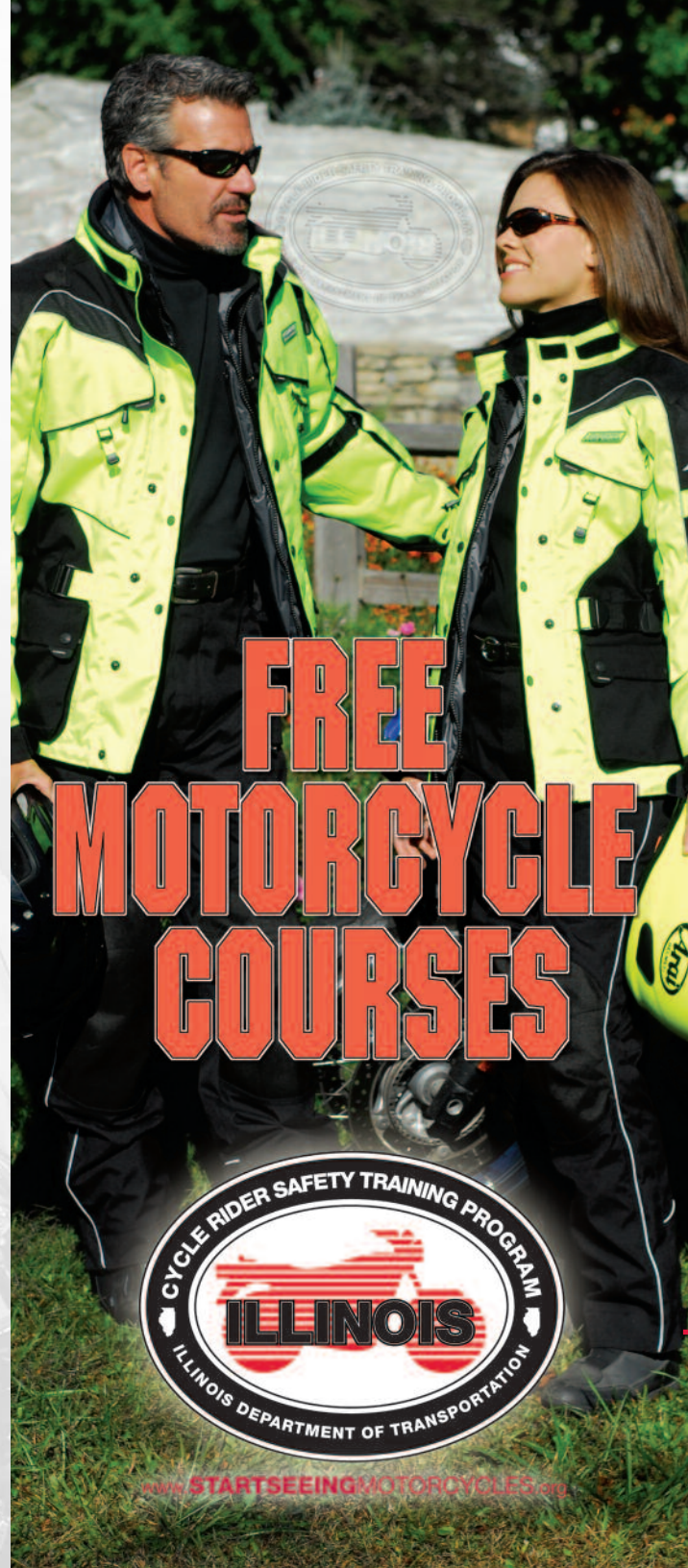
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FREE COURSES WITH MSF CERTIFIED TRAINED INSTRUCTORS.

Courses are generally conducted on weekends beginning on Thursday or Friday night and concluding on Sunday afternoon (April thru October).

Standby and walk-in students are encouraged. Should someone not show or are late for the class, standbys are the first to be placed in open seats, followed by walk-ins.

Motorcycles, Helmets & MSF Textbooks are provided to the students.

(Basic and Intermediate Classes)

Eligibility

Any Illinois resident (16 years of age or older) who holds a valid driver's license or permit is eligible to register for the FREE Motorcycle Rider Courses. Persons under 18 years of age must have a parent or legal guardian's approval.

Residency is established by living within the state. Military personnel, their dependents and students enrolled in Illinois schools are considered to be residents for the purpose of enrolling.

The Following Clothing is Required:

Footwear – Sturdy, over the ankle normal (1”-2”) heels and high-top leather boots or heavy synthetic material gym shoes that cover the ankle bones, are acceptable, no cloth or canvas.

Long Pants - Denim or heavy material (straight- leg in good condition, no holes)

Gloves – Full fingered, leather preferred

Long Sleeved Jacket or Shirt – Wrist length of denim or heavy material (in good condition, no holes)

Eye Protection – Sunglasses or prescription lenses are acceptable.



**Courses run rain or shine!
Ensure you are prepared!**

What other benefits are there?

The riding and written portion of the Illinois motorcycle license test are waived for successful Basic Rider and Intermediate Rider Course graduates 18 or older.

Discounts on insurance, parts, and accessories may be available to course graduates.

If you are 16 or 17 years old and pass the Basic Rider Course, you may apply for a driver's license for full size motorcycles (16 and 17 year olds must take both written and riding portions of the S.O.S. test).

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BASIC RIDER COURSE

Have you wanted to ride but do not know how to get started? Do you ride now and want to polish your skills? If so, the Basic Rider Course (BRC) is for you!

The Basic Rider Course (BRC) provides approximately 20 hours of classroom and on-motorcycle instruction. In the BRC you will practice and develop the four fundamental riding skills:

- Straight-line riding
- Turning
- Shifting
- Stopping

Then you will expand these basic skills into street-riding skills, including:

- Advanced turning techniques
- Advanced braking techniques
- Swerving

You will also learn and practice the mental skills needed to develop:

- Street-riding strategies
- The ability to deal with special situations

INTERMEDIATE RIDER COURSE

The Intermediate Rider Course (IRC) was developed to provide a training experience for riders who already have the basic motorcycle operational skills but want to refine those skills.

This course presents an overview of the fundamentals of safe, responsible motorcycling. It allows the riders the opportunity to polish or learn new skills as well as acquire to knowledge and strategies important for a successful transition into operating a motorcycle on the street and in the traffic mix.

The IRC consist of 8.5 hours of classroom and hands on instruction. To successfully complete the IRC you must pass a skill (riding) evaluation. Upon successful completion of the course you will receive a completion card (it is not a license to drive) that when presented to the Secretary of State, Department of Motor Vehicles, Drivers Licensing Facilities, will waive the riding test requirement.

For the IRC, training motorcycles are provided as well as helmets.

EXPERIENCED RIDER COURSE

The Experienced Rider Course (ERC) provides critiqued and coached practice for experienced cyclists riding their own motorcycles.

In the one-day 8-hour course, ERC participants will:

- Increase skills
- Knowledge
- Safety awareness
- Enjoyment

Become familiar with motorcycle dynamics, survival strategies, motorcycle loading, emergency braking, counter steering, counter weighting and accessory selection.

Practice precise steering techniques and correct braking methods under controlled conditions with Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) certified instructors.

Gain the knowledge necessary for further development of safe riding skills.

Registration Fee Policy

Your refundable \$20 registration fee reserves your place in class. However, if you are late, you lose your reservation and registration fee. Standby students will be immediately assigned to any unclaimed seats. Arrive early to avoid forfeiting your reservation and registration fee. Refunds will be sent approximately four to six weeks after the conclusion of the course.

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