

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOURCE GUIDE



DRIVER AND TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION IN NORTH DAKOTA

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INTRODUCTION

We are pleased to work collaboratively among the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT), the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI), and the North Dakota Education Standards and Practices Board (NDESPB) to provide guidance for schools as they implement quality driver and traffic safety education programs.

This *Administrative Resource Guide for Driver and Traffic Safety Education in North Dakota* is a resource for driver and traffic safety education instructors and schools in planning and implementing a driver and traffic safety education program. The success of the driver and traffic safety education program depends on many things, including well-trained, enthusiastic instructors; a comprehensive, up-to-date curriculum; focused diligent students; supportive parents who provide encouragement and supervise practice time, and classroom and driving experiences reflecting good driver and traffic safety practices.

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TEACHING THE DRIVER AND TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION COURSE

Driver and traffic safety education instructors, working with local school administrators, should develop programs to meet the driver and traffic safety education needs of all students.

Classroom and laboratory driver and traffic safety education instruction must meet minimum time requirements. NDAC 37-03-04-02 requires that 30 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of supervised behind-the-wheel instruction be completed successfully in order for students to receive credit and receive a certificate of completion or training. It is most effective if classroom and laboratory instruction are taught concurrently. Laboratory instruction includes behind-the-wheel on-street instruction, driving simulation, and/or on-range behind-the-wheel driving.

It is strongly recommended that the classroom portion of a summer school driver and traffic safety education program be scheduled over a time period of at least two weeks, not to exceed three hours of classroom instruction in any day. It is also recommended that the driver and traffic safety education instructor schedule behind-the-wheel lessons to provide ample time between lessons allowing students to participate in parental supervised practice on skills taught during the previous lesson by the course instructor.

Students should be given as much in-car observation time as scheduling procedures allow and individual differences require. The program should be developed to make the observation time meaningful and relevant so it will make a contribution to the effectiveness of the total program. Students should receive at least 6 hours of in-vehicle observation time in a dual-control vehicle.

Driver and traffic safety education programs may be included in the regular school curriculum whenever possible. It is recommended that the class size for classroom driver and traffic safety education not exceed 30 students. Classes may be offered during and after regular school hours, at night, or on Saturdays. Scheduling either classroom or laboratory instruction on Sundays or other holidays specified in NDCC 15.1-06-02 is prohibited. Those holidays include New Year's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, the fourth day of July, Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, or any day declared to be a public holiday by the President of the United States or the governor.

Schools cannot give credit for a behind-the-wheel program taken by students through a private, non-credentialed driving instructor because only schools can offer high school credit. However, a licensed teacher with a valid driver and traffic safety education endorsement may contract with a school district to provide in-car instruction for high school credit. (See driver and traffic safety education instructor requirements, page 5.)

DRIVER AND TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION COURSES

Course Requirements:

To receive 1/4 credit the course must include 30 hours of classroom instruction, 6 hours of behind-the-wheel training and 6 hours of observation in the Driver and Traffic Safety vehicle. Summer school courses must be pre-approved by NDDPI. The Driver Education courses must be taught by a licensed teacher with a valid driver and traffic safety education instructor endorsement (NDESPB). The classes can be offered during regular school hours, at night or on Saturdays. No instructions (classroom or laboratory) can be offered on Sundays or legal holidays.

Two-phase program

The most frequently offered driver and traffic safety education course is a two-phase program encompassing integrated driver and traffic safety education experiences consisting of 30 hours of classroom instruction, a minimum of 6 hours of observation, and a minimum of 6 hours of supervised behind-the-wheel on-street instruction in a dual-control vehicle. This course (Course 21014) can be taken for $\frac{1}{4}$ credit. If classroom times are doubled, the course may be taken for $\frac{1}{2}$ credit. It is offered for grades nine through twelve and a minimum age of 14 years prior to in-car instruction.

Three-phase program

There are two versions of a three-phase program from which schools may choose.

Course 21015 is an integrated program of a minimum of 30 hours of classroom instruction combined with at least 3 hours of behind-the-wheel on-street instruction and 12 hours of simulation. This course can be taken for $\frac{1}{4}$ credit. If classroom time is doubled, the course may be taken for $\frac{1}{2}$ credit. It is offered for grades nine through twelve and a minimum age of 14 years prior to in-car instruction.

Course 21016 is an integrated program of a minimum of 30 hours of classroom instruction combined with extensive driving on a multi-car driving range. Students must receive at least 3 hours of behind-the-wheel on-street instruction in addition to at least 6 hours of range driving. This course can be taken for $\frac{1}{4}$ credit. If classroom times are doubled, the course may be taken for $\frac{1}{2}$ credit. It is offered for grades nine through twelve and a minimum age of 14 years prior to in-car instruction.

Four-phase program

Course 21018 provides a comprehensive program of driver and traffic safety education which includes a minimum of 30 hours of classroom instruction and sequential use of simulation, multiple-car driving range, and behind-the-wheel on-street instruction. Students must receive a minimum of 2 hours of behind-the-wheel on-street instruction. This course can be taken for $\frac{1}{4}$ credit. If classroom times are doubled, the course may be taken for $\frac{1}{2}$ credit. It is offered for grades nine through twelve and a minimum age of 14 years prior to in-car instruction.

Course codes are used when submitting course names and credits to the NDDPI and can be found in the PK-12 Course Codes and Descriptions on their website: dpi.state.nd.us/resource/corscode/drivered.pdf.

Course Recommendations:

- The course should be taught using the North Dakota Driver Risk Prevention Curriculum (Playbook).
- A student/Parent Orientation should be scheduled well in advance of the class.
- Students should be required to have permits.
- A student confidential health information form should be completed and signed by a parent/guardian.
- Classroom instruction in summer programs should be scheduled over a time period of at least two weeks not to exceed three hours of instruction in any day.
- There should be at least 6 in-car lessons in two-phase programs.

- In-car instruction should be integrated or concurrent with classroom instruction.
- Students should not drive longer than 60 minutes during any lesson. Exception: One lesson of 90 minutes for travel to a larger city for complex driving instruction.
- BTW lessons should be spaced to allow for student/parent practice between lessons.
- Students should be given classroom and behind-the-wheel schedules.
- There should be an attendance policy with makeup provisions.
- A driving log should be utilized for communication between the instructor and the parent.
- A letter to parents or a meeting with parents should follow the completion of the course emphasizing student progress and describing further practice needed by the student.
- Parents should be informed of class limitations (night driving, winter driving, freeway driving, etc.) and information provided to assist them in providing student/parent practice.
- Student/parent practice is encouraged to continue after the course is completed.

Driver and traffic safety education program for students with disabilities

In many cases, it is possible to compensate for a physical or mental disability so that a person with a disability can safely operate a motor vehicle. Some impairments may constitute disabilities that cannot be overcome. If an instructor questions a student's ability to drive, he or she may require that the student submit to a physician's examination. The NDDOT will determine whether the student is medically qualified to drive after reviewing the physician's examination. The driver and traffic safety education instructor should be aware of any physical and/or mental condition of a student that may interfere with the safe operation of a motor vehicle.

Any student who has had blackouts or seizures or is subject to them will not be allowed to take the behind-the-wheel portion of the driver and traffic safety education program without first applying for and receiving an instruction permit through the NDDOT. The person completing an application is required to report any episodes to the NDDOT before receiving an instruction permit. Upon receipt of the instruction permit, the school district and the driver and traffic safety education instructor would be relieved of any responsibility relating to seizures or with granting permission to operate a motor vehicle. (NDCC 28-32-02, NDCC 39-06-03, NDCC 39-06-34; NDAC 37-03-01-05)

Recommendation:

- Students with physical limitations need to have an assessment completed by medical personnel regarding special adaptations to a vehicle prior to behind-the-wheel instruction.

SUMMER DRIVER AND TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM

Many schools choose to offer the driver and traffic safety education program in the summer. Application for proportionate foundation aid payments for summer programs must be received by NDDPI by June 1 or before the summer course begins each year, whichever is earlier. In order to receive foundation aid and provide credit for the course, the course must be taught by a driver and traffic safety education instructor with a valid endorsement. Instructors and administrators should familiarize themselves with the rules for high school summer school programs on the following website: <http://legis.nd.gov/information/acdata/pdf/67-20-01.pdf>.

The application process for high school summer school requires schools to complete two steps:

1. The school will submit a completed application that will provide DPI with contact information, program dates, and other programmatic information. This form will be available online at <https://secure.apps.state.nd.us/dpi/stars/Login.aspx> after April 1.
2. The school will report the teachers, courses, time, and students within the Summer School Licensed Personnel (MIS03) report on State Automated Reporting System (STARS). Enter STARS at <https://secure.apps.state.nd.us/dpi/stars/Login.aspx>, select the Personnel folder and the Summer School Licensed Personnel (MIS03) record to report your summer school instructional program.

DRIVER AND TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The driver and traffic safety education student

Students can take the classroom portion of the driver and traffic safety education class as early as ninth grade. The behind-the-wheel portion, however, can be given only to students who are at least 14 years of age. It is strongly recommended that students have completed a minimum of 4 hours of classroom instruction in the rules of the road prior to any behind-the-wheel on-street instruction. Schools may require that the driver and traffic safety education student obtain a restricted instruction permit prior to any behind-the-wheel experience (NDAC 37-03-04-02, NDCC 39-06-01.1, NDCC 39-06-03, NDCC 39-06-05).

For your information: Schools do not have to offer retakes of courses to students who have previously passed the course and then incurred a cancelled driver license. The school can allow students who have passed the course previously to retake the course but the school will not receive foundation aid for those students in summer courses who have previously passed a driver education course.

Recommendation:

- Permits should be required by all students enrolled in DTS courses.

Driver and traffic safety education instructor requirements

High school courses in driver and traffic safety education must be taught by a qualified instructor. The endorsement standards require that all applicants:

- Hold at all times a valid, non-suspended, unrevoked or non-canceled, operator's license suitable for the type of vehicle to be used.
 - The instructor is required to notify NDESPB in writing of any pending or actual suspension, revocation, or cancellation of driving privileges within five days of receiving oral or written notice of any pending driver's license suspension, revocation or cancellation.
- Hold a valid regular North Dakota educator's professional license with a valid driver and traffic safety education endorsement at all times.
- Required coursework for the endorsement includes at a minimum:
 - Ten semester hours consisting of at least one course each in
 - ✓ Classroom driver and traffic education; and
 - ✓ In-car instruction;
 - ✓ Beginning driver problems; and
 - ✓ Organization and administration of safety education.
 - Fourteen semester hours with no more than three semester hours in any one area: first aid, substance abuse education; equipment training, which may include simulator use and educational technology; classroom management; developmental psychology covering adolescent psychology; stress management;

curriculum, planning, and assessment; teaching diverse learners; and educational psychology.

- Application procedures for the driver and traffic safety education endorsement require the applicant
 - To complete the Drivers Education Minor Equivalency Endorsement form (SFN 58610) from the NDESPB or submit the online Drivers Education Minor Equivalency application in their ND Teach account, and
 - To provide a copy of a college transcript to verify driver and traffic safety education coursework.
 - Provide the ESPB with a copy of a **complete** driving record. A copy of the complete driving record can be obtained by submitting a written request for the **complete** driving record. Include your name, current mailing address, driver's license number, and the reason for the request. Mail the request and \$3 fee to Drivers License and Traffic Safety Division, 608 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505. You may fax this information along with a current credit card number, expiration date, and CVV number (the last three digits on the back of the credit card) to 701-328-2435, and the record will be mailed to you. If you have any questions, you may call 701-328-2604, or complete this request form <http://www.dot.nd.gov/forms/sfn51386.pdf>
- Complete endorsement requirements and application procedures are available in Section 67.1-02-03-06 of North Dakota Administrative Code on the NDESPB's website at <http://www.nd.gov/espb/>.
- Thereafter, by January 1 each year, the instructor must submit a copy of a **complete** driving record to the ESPB.
- Renewal credits (2 semester hours) are required every five (5) years in order to renew the Driver and Traffic Safety endorsement.
- The instructor is required to make sure the driver education vehicle has an insurance policy that meets minimum requirements of North Dakota law and is carried in the vehicle prior to giving behind-the-wheel instruction to students.
- NDESPB has the power to discipline the Driver and Traffic Safety teacher if:
 - Three or more moving traffic violations appear on the complete driving record during the past three years.
 - Instructor has on his driving record any conviction that would constitute suspension, revocation, or cancelation of the instructor's driver license.

THE DRIVER AND TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION VEHICLE

Vehicle specifications

The driver and traffic safety education vehicle is required to have the following special equipment:

- Dual controls include dual brakes or dual brake and clutch, depending on the standard equipment of the vehicle.
- Rearview and side view mirrors for the driver and a rearview mirror for the instructor. A side view mirror for the instructor is recommended.
- Driver education or student driver identification signage.

Recommendations:

- Vehicle less than 5 years old or 100,000 miles
- Automatic transmission
- Power brakes
- Power steering
- Individual or split front seat
- Air bags

- Air conditioning
- Fire extinguisher
- First aid kit
- Instructor eye check mirror
- Pedal extensions
- Wedge cushions

Obtaining the vehicle

Through the cooperation of vehicle manufacturers and dealers, most high schools with a qualified instructor can obtain a dual-control vehicle from a local dealer for a fee plus payment of maintenance costs, insurance, gasoline, and oil.

The negotiation for the loan or lease of a vehicle is usually conducted between the dealer and the school district.

A strong, positive relationship with the dealer who lends the school a dual-control vehicle is important. The dealer may be invited to meet and talk with the driver and traffic safety education class and should be given some recognition for his or her generous contribution to the school's program.

To ensure a continuing good relationship and to avoid any misunderstanding between the school and the dealer, a written agreement should be established to decide the basic responsibilities of each. It is a sound practice to perform a joint inspection between a representative of the school and the dealer before the vehicle is obtained and when it is returned to the dealer.

Recommendation: Loan Vehicle

- Consider a mileage agreement or flat fee rather than a daily fee to allow for more time in completing the behind-the-wheel lessons.

Licensing the vehicle

NDCC 39-04-18(2)(b) Motor vehicles exempt from registration fees.

"Motor vehicles owned by or in possession of Indian mission schools, by this state or any of its agencies, departments, or political subdivisions, including school districts possessing a motor vehicle or vehicles used for driver and traffic safety education instruction... provided, however, that the vehicles must display license plates provided by the department [NDDOT] at actual cost..."

"Each motor vehicle loaned or furnished by a licensed North Dakota motor vehicle dealer to a school district in North Dakota to be used exclusively for instructing pupils in the driver and traffic safety education and training program conducted by the school district will be assigned an official license plate. The license plates must be used only on the motor vehicles furnished by dealers and used in the driver and traffic safety education program, and for no other purpose except for garaging and safekeeping of the motor vehicle.

"A person may not use a driver and traffic safety education motor vehicle bearing official license plates for any purpose other than driver and traffic safety education course instruction. A person is not in violation of this subdivision if the person is required by the dealer or a school administrator to house or otherwise protect the vehicle at the person's home or other facility."

Insuring the vehicle

NDCC 39-06-05(2) requires that the school district sponsoring the driver's training program has an insurance policy covering any damage which may be done while operating the vehicle by an enrolled student who has no permit or license to operate a motor vehicle. Proof of coverage is to be filed with the NDDOT by the school district's insurance carrier. The insurance carrier must complete the certificate of insurance form (SFN 9053). It is available at <http://www.dot.nd.gov/forms/sfn09053.pdf>.

Proof of liability insurance must be carried in the vehicle at all times (NDCC 39-08-20).

Amounts for coverage are cited in NDCC 39-16.1-02.

NDCC 39-16.1-02. Proof of financial responsibility defined.

"Proof of financial responsibility means proof of ability to respond in damages for liability, on account of accidents occurring after the effective date of said proof, arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of a motor vehicle, in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident, and, subject to said limit for one person, in the amount of fifty thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident. "

Vehicle identification

All vehicles used in the driver and traffic safety education program should be identified by displaying either an overhead sign, a bumper sign, or both. When the rear bumper sign is used, it should not be so large as to obstruct a driver's rear vision.

When the vehicle is registered, it must be identified as a driver and traffic safety education vehicle so the decal can be placed on the license plate. If the school district owns the vehicle and uses it for other school functions, the vehicle should not have the decal on the license plate.

Maintaining the vehicle

It is very important that all driver and traffic safety education vehicles be properly maintained in a safe condition. It is recommended that the school district establish procedures to ensure necessary maintenance, periodic services, and proper storage; and maintain accurate operational records.

Procedures for breakdown or crash

The local school district should develop written policies to be followed in case of a breakdown or a crash. A copy should be provided to each instructor and a copy should be available in each vehicle. The policy should be adapted to fit the school district but should include the procedure as to who should be notified, when they should be notified, what form(s) must be filled out and by whom, and procedures to be followed if injury is incurred.

DRIVER AND TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM RECORDS

Parental or legal guardian approval

Before a student is enrolled in the behind-the-wheel portion of the course, the school should receive written approval from the student's parent or legal guardian.

Student record of behind-the-wheel instruction

Schools should develop a standard form to document instruction given and the dates/times of the instruction periods. A space should be provided on the form for both the student and the instructor to sign verifying the amount of instruction time the student received. This form should be stapled to the school district file copy of the student completion certificate and become part of the student permanent school record.

Student permanent school record

Each school should ensure that a record of the student's driver and traffic safety education instruction to include behind-the-wheel instruction record (signed by instructor and student) is indicated on the student's permanent school record. The school district file copy of the student completion certificate should become part of this record.

Recommendation:

- Student health form with parent permission signature should in the student's permanent file.
- The teacher should be aware of students with IEPs (Individualized Education Plans).

Vehicle records

To support school and dealer accounting needs, accurate records should be maintained identifying vehicle use, and the date, time, and odometer reading of all maintenance and service and by whom it was performed.

Certificates of completion & training

The certificate of completion confirms that the student has successfully completed the driver and traffic safety education program course and is eligible to have the road test waived. This is an official document that must be presented to the driver examiner at the time of licensure.

The certificate of training confirms that the student has completed the driver and traffic safety education program course. This is an official document that must be presented to the driver examiner at the time of the road test to determine licensure.

The NDDOT will electronically provide blank certificates of completion to those schools maintaining approved driver and traffic safety education programs and approved by NDDOT Driver License for the waiver certificate. The NDDOT will electronically provide blank certificates of training to those schools maintaining approved driver and traffic safety education programs. Schools ensure that certificates are typed accurately and assume responsibility for making corrections. Completion & training certificates should not be issued for completion of a high school program offering only classroom instruction or only behind-the-wheel instruction.

Blank student certificates of completion and/or training can be obtained by contacting NDDOT, Carol Thurn at 701-328-4354 or cthurn@nd.gov

Letters to parents or legal guardians

Recommended:

When a student completes the driver and traffic safety education program, it is recommended that a letter be sent to the parent or legal guardian indicating whether the student successfully completed the program. The letter should suggest that the parent/guardian provide additional

supervised behind-the-wheel driving for the student until they are satisfied that the student is capable of operating the vehicle. Parents can access the Rules of the Road manual from <http://www.dot.nd.gov/divisions/driverslicense/docs/rulesroad.pdf>

When a student completes the driver and traffic safety education program, the instructor may want to personally contact the parent or legal guardian. This is an effective way to involve the parent and gain support of the driver and traffic safety education program.

Record keeping for budget purposes

Recommended:

All bills relating to driver and traffic safety education should be kept and filed to aid in determining a budget for the next year. This file should include: insurance, car lease fees, vehicle maintenance, gasoline and oil, instructor pay and fringe benefits, and classroom supplies.

Driver Education Inventory

Recommended:

The school and driver education teacher should complete a yearly inventory of equipment and supplies along with an explanation of where these items are stored.

DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR LICENSING PURPOSES

Schools will

1. Certify that
 - a. The student is 14 years old before beginning behind-the-wheel instruction.
 - b. The minimum classroom instructional hours (30) were completed.
 - c. The minimum behind-the-wheel instruction, range, and/or simulator hours were completed.
2. Obtain adequate insurance and see that the certificate of insurance is sent to the NDDOT.
3. Complete a Driver and Traffic Safety Education Student Completion or Training Certificate for each student who successfully completes all requirements.
4. Have the superintendent or principal sign certificates after certifying items a, b, and c in Item 1 above.
5. Provide two properly completed certificate copies to the student and retain a copy in the student's permanent school record.
6. Revise incorrect certificates.
7. File the student record of behind-the-wheel instruction and the school district file copy of the student completion or training certificate in the student's permanent school record.
8. Provide the ND Parent Guide to Teen Driving Manual website address to parents.

Students will

1. Ensure the information on their certificate is accurate to avoid difficulties on the day of the student's road test.
2. Have the certificate in possession prior to making an appointment to take the road test.
3. Present the license examiner with a copy of the completion or training certificate on the day of the student's road test.

Parents will

1. Ensure that their child is 14 before they participate in the behind-the-wheel instruction.
2. Schedule license examinations only after ensuring that a completion or training certificate has been received. Students under the age of 16 cannot be tested without the completion or training certificate.
3. Ensure that their child is capable of operating a motor vehicle safely and assume responsibility for all damages due to any negligent operation of that motor vehicle by their child.
4. Provide student/parent practice during the Driver and Traffic Safety course.

Recommendations:

- Continue practice on complex driving skills in complex environments after the course is completed (i.e. winter driving, interstate driving, night driving, etc)
- Use a Student/Parent Driving Contract
- Limit driving of teens with a new license for 6 months to necessary driving only

North Dakota Department of Transportation will

1. Provide Rules of the Road instruction manuals.
2. Provide blank electronic driver and traffic safety education completion or training certificates.
3. Provide licensed teachers a copy of the ND Playbook flashdrive.
4. Verify that the student is of sufficient age to be issued a license.
5. Require that the student have proof of identity.
6. Verify that the student has met the minimum driver and traffic safety education requirements as stated on the completion certificate.
7. Check to see that the completion or training certificate has been signed.
8. Collect the certificate.
9. Administer the licensing tests.
10. Issue the license after successful completion of the licensing tests.

North Dakota Department of Public Instruction will

1. Review the names of person(s) listed as the instructor(s) of driver and traffic safety education classes for approved programs.
2. Approve the summer driver and traffic safety education program meeting all standards and provide appropriate foundation aid payment.

North Dakota Education Standards and Practices Board will

1. Provide the driver education instructor endorsement.
2. Notify the NDDPI of any disciplinary action regarding a driver and traffic safety education instructor.
3. Notify the NDDPI if the listed instructor of a driver and traffic safety education class is not currently endorsed to teach that subject.

RESOURCES AND REFERENCES

North Dakota Century Code, with titles of chapters or sections (no titles for subsections)

NDCC 15.1-06-02	School holidays
NDCC 28-32-02	Rulemaking power of agency – Organizational rule
NDCC 39-04-18(2)(b)	Motor vehicles exempt from registration fees – Reciprocal use of state highways by foreign licensed motor vehicles [Paragraphs from subsection 2(b) are printed in the “Licensing the vehicle” section of this guide.]
NDCC 39-06-01.1	Special provisions for minor operators
NDCC 39-06-03	What persons may not be licensed
NDCC 39-06-05(2)	Restricted instruction permit – When instruction permit not required [See the “Insuring the vehicle” section of this guide.]
NDCC 39-06-34	Director may require reexamination
NDCC 39-08-20	Driving without liability insurance prohibited
NDCC 39-16.1-02	Proof of financial responsibility defined
NDCC 39-16-03	Driving records – Not admissible in evidence – Fee

All North Dakota Century Code citations can be accessed online at <http://www.legis.nd.gov/information/statutes/cent-code.html>.

North Dakota Administrative Code

NDAC 67-20-01	Summer high school programs
NDAC 67.1	Education Standards and Practices Board
NDAC 37-03-01-05	Operators Not to Be Licensed – Exceptions and Requirements
NDAC 37-03-04	Types of operators licenses, qualifications

All North Dakota Administrative Code citations can be accessed online at <http://www.legis.nd.gov/information/rules/admincode.html>.

Other references

A Manual of PK-12 Course Codes and Descriptions can be accessed online at <http://www.dpi.state.nd.us/resource/corscode/initial-page.shtm>.

Forms referenced in this guide

SFN 9053	Certificate of insurance (pages 4, 6), http://www.dot.nd.gov/forms/sfn09053.pdf
SFN 58610	Drivers Education Minor Equivalency Endorsement (page 4) http://www.nd.gov/espb/licensure/forms/MinorEquivalencyEndorsements/58610DriversEducationMinorEquivalency.pdf

GLOSSARY

Behind-the-wheel on-range	Teaching technique where students are given behind-the-wheel instruction on a special off-street facility. A number of vehicles operated by student drivers are under the supervision of one or more instructors located <u>outside</u> the vehicle. Various communication systems can be utilized.
Behind the wheel on-street	Teaching technique which allows the student driver to obtain driving experience behind the wheel of a dual-control vehicle in actual traffic situations under the direction of an instructor.
Concurrent	Occurring at the same time without a break. No break of instruction between classroom and laboratory phases.
Dual-control vehicle	A vehicle equipped with an extra brake pedal and, when necessary, an extra clutch pedal, which are under the control of the instructor, who is in the right front seat.
Endorsement	Series of course work that meets a certain standard in a specific content area that is attached to a license and allows a person to teach in that content area.
Four-phase program	A driver and traffic safety education program which includes classroom, simulator, behind-the-wheel on-range, and behind-the-wheel on-street instruction segments.
Laboratory instruction	An extension of classroom instruction providing students with the opportunity for traffic experience under real or simulated conditions.
NDAC	North Dakota Administrative Code
NDCC	North Dakota Century Code
Observation time	Student time spent in the vehicle other than at the controls, and involving group discussion and assessment of the driving task.
Psychophysical Equipment	Testing devices used to measure certain psychophysical characteristics such as field of vision, visual acuity, distance judgment, reaction time, color discrimination, and similar characteristics.
Simulator	A laboratory device designed to assist the student driver in acquiring the necessary procedural, perceptual, judgmental, and decision-making skills for safe driving.
Three-phase program	A driver and traffic safety education program which includes classroom instruction, and two of the three options for laboratory instruction.
Two-phase program	A driver and traffic safety education program which includes classroom instruction and behind-the-wheel on-street driving.