

Training Requirements for ALL MILITARY Own/Operators of Motorcycles Both on & Off DoD Installations

Motorcycling has become increasingly popular in the Army with 33,425 motorcycles currently registered on Army installations. One result is that motorcycle accident rates have increased proportionately. As the accident rate goes up, leaders must find ways to improve motorcycle safety within the Army. The Army Chief of Staff, now requires the Six Point Program developed by the Combat Readiness Center be used by all Army units. Like any sport, motorcycling can be very dangerous. Although we cannot totally prevent motorcycle accidents, through proper training and preparation we can reduce them. Therefore, our actions can make riding motorcycles fun rather than fatal.

When riding a motorcycle, you are far more likely to get in an accident and far more likely to get hurt than if you are driving a car. In fact, according to the US Highway Safety Authority, in 2002 20.9 cars out of 100,000 ended up in fatal crashes. The rate for motorcycles is 66.7 per 100,000. This means you are 209% more likely to be in fatal crash on motorcycle

But don't give your bike away. We are dedicated to providing you with resources and information to make your ride safer and more enjoyable. Explore all the information in this pamphlet to learn more about training that is at no cost to you.

The training is established to reinforce a positive attitude toward driving, individual responsibility, and correct response to routine and emergency driving situations. Each progressive traffic safety/training course builds on the previous module to reinforce the Army's Expectations for a safe Army driver or operator of a motorcycle.

Courses Available

Basic riders course - The Army standard motorcycle rider course is an MSF based Basic Rider course (BRC).
Experienced riders course / Sports bike riders course - Experienced Rider Course (ERC) or the Military Sport Bike Riders Course (MSRC) in addition to the BRC, but not in lieu of the BRC. The ERC and MSRC are designed to provide additional highway safety life skills for experience motorcyclists. These courses can be taken after the completion of the BRC and after at least 90 days of riding experience.



In those instances where this training may not be readily available or provided on a military installation, operators are authorized to seek and obtain this training via facilities off installation. The facility providing the training must be certified by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation.

Motorcycle PPE Checklist



HELMETS – DOT Approved half, 3/4, full face

EYE PROTECTION – Goggles, face shield, safety glasses

GLOVES – Full fingered or motorcycle mittens

SHOES – Leather boots or over the ankle shoes

APPAREL – Long sleeve shirt or jacket, long trousers

DAYTIME – Bright upper body garment

NIGHT-TIME – Retro-reflective material on upper body

Payment For Training at Private or Civilian Training Facilities



All training must be Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) certified.

When this training is provided by civilian private companies, your area Regional Support Command will be responsible for the payment to the establishment.

Contact your area Regional Support Command Safety Office for additional information

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