

Motorcycle Safety Program



Administered by The Motorcycle Safety Foundation for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Department of Transportation, Bureau of Driver Licensing

What is PAMSP?

The Pennsylvania Motorcycle Safety Program (PAMSP) was established to teach riders of all skill levels the basic fundamentals needed to reduce risk while operating a motorcycle. The PAMSP was created from legislation in 1984 and began operation one year later. The goal of the PAMSP is to give all riders the skills needed to combat everyday hazards encountered on the road.

To date, over 381,000 people have taken the Pennsylvania Motorcycle Safety Program.

Is there a motorcycle course being offered near me?

The PAMSP has approximately 70 training sites statewide. To locate the site nearest you, log onto www.pamsp.com or call 1-800-845-9533.

If I pass this course, will I automatically become a licensed rider?

Yes, if you are over 18. Upon successful completion of either the Basic Rider Course, the Basic Rider Course 2 or the 3-Wheel Basic Rider Course, your learner's permit will be stamped as a valid PA motorcycle license. Within 120 days, the Department of Transportation will issue a motorcycle license. If you are under 18, you still need to have your permit at least 6 months and have 50 hours of supervised riding. If you have not met these requirements you cannot be licensed through the course.

What does PAMSP have to offer?

The Basic Rider Course (BRC) covers topics such as protective gear, basic riding skills, shifting, stopping, swerving, turning, and mental skills for hazard avoidance. This course lasts 15 hours (usually offered over a two-week period); 5 hours of classroom and 10 hours of riding. Motorcycles and helmets are provided.

The Basic Rider Course 2 (BRC2) is based on motorcycle crash research. Skills in cornering, braking and swerving are enhanced. This is a 6 hour course designed for riders who already have experience riding a motorcycle. Participants will use their own motorcycle, helmet and protective gear. Proof of insurance, current registration and inspection are required.

During the 3-Wheel Basic Rider Course (3WBRC) participants will learn fundamental riding skills and safety strategies similar to what is provided in the Basic Rider Course except on a 3-wheel motorcycle. This is a 12 hour course; 4 hours of classroom and 8 hours of riding. Participants will use their own 3-wheel motorcycle, helmet, and protective gear. Proof of insurance, current registration, and inspection are required.

Some insurance companies offer a deduction on premiums to individuals who successfully complete the course. For details, contact your insurance agent.

Is there a fee for the training?

For Pennsylvania residents, the course is free. The only requirement is you must have a valid PA motorcycle license or motorcycle permit. For out of state residents, the fee is \$250 for the Basic Rider Course (BRC), \$150 for the Basic Rider Course 2 (BRC2), and \$200 for the 3-Wheel Basic Rider Course (3WBRC).

For information and schedules log on to: www.pamsp.com
or call 1-800-845-9533, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

***HAVE YOUR DRIVER LICENSE NUMBER OR
MOTORCYCLE PERMIT NUMBER AVAILABLE FOR REGISTRATION.**

Hearing impaired using TDD equipment should call, 1-800-228-0676, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

(Except Major Holidays)

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Courses Conducted March Through October

NOTE: PEAK TIMES ARE APRIL THROUGH JUNE.