



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4501-21-06 Course curriculum.

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[Comment: For dates and availability of material incorporated by reference in this rule, see paragraph (A) in rule 4501-21-17 of the Administrative Code.]

(A) Each enterprise shall only use an approved curriculum.

(B) Except for an online adult remedial driving course, to obtain approval for a curriculum provider for the adult remedial driving course or the advanced juvenile program, a representative of the curriculum provider submits to the department a proposed curriculum. The curriculum is evaluated using criteria approved by the director which includes the student curriculum, instructor training curriculum, organizational information, curriculum and instructor certification and renewal system, minimum hours of training, and topics to be provided during instruction. The approval criteria provided by the department are available on the driver training web page at <http://www.drivertraining.ohio.gov/schools.aspx>.

(C) For an online adult remedial driving course, to obtain approval for the curriculum, a representative submits the full online course proposal to the department. The curriculum is evaluated using criteria approved by the director and found in the "Minimum Standards for an Online Adult Remedial Course". A proposal for an online adult remedial course also includes the requirements set forth in rule 4501-21-14 of this chapter.

(D) The adult remedial driving course curriculum includes a minimum of eight hours of instruction. A minimum of twenty-five per cent of the curriculum is devoted to instruction on driver attitude and a minimum of twenty-five per cent of instruction time is devoted to the area of alcohol and drugs and the operation of motor vehicles.

(E) The adult remedial driving course curriculum includes, at a minimum, the following subject matter topics:



- (1) Driving involves risk that can be managed;
- (2) Developing good visual habits;
- (3) Communicating with others;
- (4) Personal responsibility and safe driving attitude;
- (5) Safe and courteous driving strategies and principles;
- (6) Assessing speed and adjusting speed;
- (7) Dynamics of a crash;
- (8) Space management;
- (9) Consequences of poor driving behavior;
- (10) Distracted driving, including at a minimum, the types, dangers, and Ohio laws pertaining to use of mobile devices while driving;
- (11) Handling driving emergencies;
- (12) Safety restraint systems - safety belts, airbags, child passenger seats;
- (13) Financial responsibility laws;
- (14) Vehicle technology issues;
- (15) Driver fitness;
- (16) Alcohol, drugs and driving;



(17) Aggressive driving issues and road rage;

(18) Anatomical gifts and anatomical gift procedures; and

(19) References to Ohio specific laws applicable to the purpose of the course.

(F) Any curriculum or delivery method shall be conducive to learning as determined by the department. For any curriculum delivered online the following requirements apply:

(1) The student is able to navigate logically and systematically through the course; and

(2) Technical support personnel is available and provides information pertaining to the course completion requirements and technical issues. Except for circumstances beyond control of the online provider, a student has adequate access to technical assistance throughout the course such that the flow of instructional information is not delayed. Upon request of the department, an enterprise shall provide time documentation to show that this requirement is being met.

(G) The director may deny approval of any curriculum or delivery method that fails to meet the requirements of this chapter of the Administrative Code.

(H) If an enterprise is conducting a remedial course for juveniles, except for the advanced juvenile program, the enterprise uses the "Juvenile Driver Improvement Curriculum."

(I) The curriculum for an advanced juvenile driver improvement program is approved by the director. The curriculum includes, at a minimum, two hours of classroom instruction and four hours of behind-the-wheel driving exercises.

(1) Classroom instruction includes, at a minimum, topics on:

(a) Driving physics;

(b) Vehicle dynamics;



- (c) Proper vision techniques;
 - (d) Teen driver statistics.
- (2) Behind-the-wheel instruction includes, at a minimum:
- (a) Vehicle control in inclement weather conditions;
 - (b) Emergency transition maneuvers, and;
 - (c) Spin and skid control.