

## Prescribed Course of Study of Driver Education Section 595:40-1-9

(a) A prescribed course of study of Driver Education shall be designed to develop knowledge of those provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle Code and other laws of this state relating to the operation of motor vehicles, acceptance of personal responsibility in traffic, appreciation of the causes, seriousness, and consequences of traffic collisions, and to develop the knowledge, attitudes, habits, and skills necessary for the safe operation of motor vehicles.

(b) Public Schools must be in compliance with Oklahoma State Board of Education rules and regulations. Non-public/Commercial schools must meet the following requirements:

(1) Students must be at least fifteen (15) years of age and regularly enrolled and certified by the instructor as taking a prescribed driver education course, certified by the Department of Public Safety.

(2) Private and Parochial students shall receive a minimum of thirty (30) hours of classroom instruction and a minimum of six (6) hours of actual driving in the Driver Education vehicle, while accompanied by and under the supervision of a qualified Driver Education instructor who is occupying the front seat of the vehicle.

(3) Each commercial student, except for commercial motorcycle students, shall receive a minimum of ten (10) hours of classroom instruction and a minimum of six (6) hours of actually driving the Driver Education vehicle, while accompanied by and under the supervision of a qualified Driver Education instructor who is occupying the front seat of the vehicle.

(4) Instruction shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) Signs, signals, highway markings and highway design.

(B) Rules of the road, state laws, and local ordinances.

(C) Driving attitude toward motorcyclists, bicyclists, and pedestrians.

(D) Basic driving maneuvers.

(E) Operation of motor vehicle on streets and highways.

(F) Familiarity with the Oklahoma Driver's Manual, distributed by the Department of Public Safety.

(G) Insurance laws of the State.

(H) Financial responsibility.

(I) Seat belt use and laws.

(J) Effects of natural laws on driving.

(K) Alcohol and drug substance abuse and the effect on driving.

(L) Basic vehicle maintenance including fluid levels, tire pressure and lighting systems.

(M) Skills:

(i) Starting.

(ii) Backing.

(iii) Parallel parking.

(iv) Hill parking.

(v) Starting on hill.

(vi) Intersection movement and observance.

(vii) Lane observance and changing.

(viii) Left and right turns.

(ix) Pedestrian and vehicle right-of-way.

(x) Proper use of automatic and/or standard transmission.

(xi) Use of brake and accelerator.

(xii) Traffic lights or signals.

(5) All passengers, students and instructors in the driver education vehicle shall comply with the Oklahoma Mandatory Seat Belt Use Act, 47 O.S. §§ 12-416 through 12-420, whenever the vehicle is in operation.