

# THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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**W**elcome to the Connecticut Motorcycle Rider Safety Education Program sponsored by Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Rider Education courses are authorized by the State Department of Transportation and recognized by the Department of Motor Vehicles as Connecticut's only certified Rider Training Program. Upon successful completion of the basic or intermediate course, graduates are entitled to: **waiver of the Department of Motor Vehicle on-cycle licensing skill test.** Graduates of the basic, intermediate, and experienced course receive a certificate of completion and are eligible to receive a **10% discount on motorcycle insurance.**

**The Basic Rider Course (BRC)** is designed for those with little or no riding experience. The student must be at least 16 years of age, have a current valid driver's license and be physically able to operate a motorcycle and balance a two-wheeled vehicle. Motorcycles will be provided. The course runs approximately 17 hours (6 hours classroom, 11 hours range.) **Fee: \$200, \*\$300 for non-resident.**

The **Intermediate Rider Course (IRC)** is designed for riders with some riding experience, a valid driver's license, a motorcycle learner's permit (or motorcycle endorsement) and a street legal motorcycle to ride to and during the class. The course consists of approximately 8 hours (3 hours classroom, 5.5 hours range.) **Fee: \$115, \*\$200 for non-resident.**

**Experienced Rider Course (ERC)** is for riders with a valid current motorcycle endorsed driver's license, and a minimum of 6 months (and over 500 miles) of riding experience. The course runs approximately 6 hours. The student will use his/her own motorcycle to practice street-riding "survival skills". **Fee: \$85, \*\$150 for non-resident.**

\*Out of State residents must pay the non-resident fee unless attending a Ct college or serving in the Military (please submit a copy of a valid school or base ID.)

## Registration Requirements:

- 1) A valid driver's license
- 2) A completed, signed Connecticut Rider Education Program Registration Form
- 3) A signed "Waiver and Release of Liability" Form. Students 16 or 17 years of age must return "Waiver and Release of Liability" Form for Minors which has been signed by BOTH Student and Parent/Guardian
- 4) Payment of course fee: Credit card (Visa or Master Card) or Check/money order made out to NCCC

Registration may be made by phone (860-738-6446) or fax (860-738-6453) and is on a

first-come, first-served basis. **Both the Registration and the Waiver form must be signed and returned to NCCC previous to the start date of the chosen class. Unless a course is cancelled, refunds are not issued.** A course may be rescheduled or cancelled due to insufficient enrollment or other unforeseen circumstance.

**If paying by mail, please send to: NCCC, Motorcycle Program, Park Place, Winsted, CT 06098.**

You must attend ALL sessions in sequence (no exceptions). Any absence will require you to register and pay for a new course. The course is rarely cancelled due to weather. Be prepared with rain gear (no ponchos) and weather-appropriate clothing. Required equipment include a helmet (we can provide one if needed), eye protection, full-fingered gloves, sturdy over-the-ankle footwear with low heels, long pants & long sleeves of durable material. Class size is limited. Please register early to obtain the dates of your choice.

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The BRC handbook can be viewed on the web at [www.ride4ever.org](http://www.ride4ever.org)

## STUDENT INFORMATION MOTORCYCLE RIDER SAFETY EDUCATION

**The Basic Motorcycle Rider Course is designed for individuals with little or no riding experience. It presents skills that, when practiced by the student, are necessary for survival on the street. The curriculum progresses at an aggressive pace. You should be aware of the following facts:**

- 1) **On the street, operating any vehicle (car, bicycle, or motorcycle) brings with it both responsibility and risk. As with any human endeavor the possibility of being seriously hurt or killed is always present.**
- 2) **Riding a motorcycle is much more difficult than riding a bicycle or operating a car. It involves a great deal of hand and eye coordination. You must be able to balance a two-wheeled vehicle, the same way a good bicycle rider can. If not, please practice before attending.**
- 3) **You should come to class in good physical condition, well rested, and attend all sessions.**
- 4) **You will be required to push a motorcycle.**
- 5) **You will be required to read and study from the provided workbook.**  
**Realize that not everyone successfully completes this course. On average, about 70% of enrollees are successful. Regardless, all students leave the course with a better understanding of how motorcycles interact with traffic, with the environment, and of their responsibilities as a rider.**
- 6) **During the course, you may discover, or be told, that riding motorcycles is not for you.**
- 7) **For your safety and the safety of others, the Instructor may not allow you to continue.**
- 8) **The course is conducted during all weather conditions (rain, heat, cold, etc.). Come to each session prepared (appropriate clothing, extra drinking water, lunch & snacks.)**
- 9) **You must attend ALL sessions, in sequence. Any absence will require you to register for another course, pay again, and start from the beginning.**
- 10) **NO REFUNDS ARE ISSUED.**

- 11) Course graduates will receive their DMV on-cycle skills test waiver cards on the last day of class. Course completion cards will be received by mail within six weeks.
- 12) You do not need a Motorcycle Learners Permit to take the Basic Motorcycle Rider Safety class. If you want to ride before you get your Motorcycle Endorsement then you must obtain a Motorcycle Learners Permit from The Department of Motor Vehicles.
- 13) If you plan to ride your own motorcycle onto the base in East Granby for an ANG class, a helmet and required gear (listed in 14) must be worn to comply with Air Guard regulation.
- 14) You will not be allowed to ride without the proper clothing. For the Range sessions, you must bring the following:
  - Helmet (we can provide one if necessary)
  - Eye Protection (a face shield or approved eyeglasses)
  - Gloves with full fingers (bicycling style not acceptable)
  - Footwear that completely covers the ankle, with low heels
  - Long sleeves and long pants (durable fabric such as denim)
  - Rain Gear (no ponchos) and warm clothes as needed
- 15) Registration is not complete without a signed "Waiver and Release of Liability" Form. The form for students age 16 or 17 must be signed by both the student and Parent/Legal Guardian. Both the Registration Form and the Waiver Form must be signed and returned to NCCC before the start date of your class.

Check out the BRC Course curriculum on the web at

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