

OPRD Class III Minimum Standards For Hands-On Course

1. Rider has a valid ATV Safety Education Card –or– a Certificate of Completion from the on-line safety course

2. Rider Fit - rider is evaluated on the motorcycle they normally ride. (If rider does not meet all of the following criteria, instructor has *option* to not continue with this student)

- Brake Reach: With hands placed in the normal riding position and fingers straight out, the first joint (from the tip) of the middle finger should extend beyond the brake and clutch lever, and
- Leg Length: When the rider is seated with both feet on the footpegs, the knees should be bent at least 45 degrees, and
- Riders should always be able to securely reach the ground with one foot when stopped, without falling over, and
- The rider should be able to turn the handle bars from lock to lock while maintaining grip on the handle bars and maintaining clutch, throttle and brake control.

3. Safety Course Review (*ride Safe, Smart, Ethically*)

4. Motorcycle Familiarization – rider successfully identifies all applicable major controls

- Engine controls (ignition, engine stop switch, throttle, choke)
- Foot & hand controls (gear selector, brakes, and clutch)
- Lights (neutral light or gear indicator, headlights, brake lights)

For the following, evaluate the rider on body and head position, and vehicle control

5. Starting/Stopping – rider demonstrates control of motorcycle

- while riding slowly forward and coming to a controlled stop

6. Turns and weaves – rider successfully demonstrates

- 30' diameter circles, both directions
- hard turns while weaving through at least five markers set 10' to 20' apart

7. Quick Stops – on signal the rider comes to a controlled stop

- while going straight
- while in a turn in both directions

8. Evasive Moves - on directional signal from in front of the rider, the rider *avoided an obstacle*

- by veering left
- by veering right

9. Rough Terrain – rider successfully navigates

- over at least three obstacles. Obstacle height for youth are 2" minimum to 4" maximum.

Rider has demonstrated that he/she can safely operate a Class III ATV and meets **or exceeds** OPRD minimum standards.

Rider does not yet have the [*circle one*]

(1) necessary skills; seek more practice or attend a hands-on off-road motorcycle safety training program.

(2) rider fit necessary to safely operate an off-road motorcycle; Rider should wait until he or she fits the ATV they will be riding.

Upon Successful completion, rider gets a temporary ATV Safety Education Card that's good for 60 days while waiting for their plastic permanent card in the mail.

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Definitions

1. **Riding Safe, Smart, Ethically**
 - a. **Safe:** Using good judgment; making good decisions; passengers
 - b. **Smart:** Laws and rules review
 - c. **Ethically:** staging or camping areas; **tread lightly**; respecting flora & fauna,
2. **Head Position**
 - a. Head and eyes are up and always looking into the direction of travel and into the turn.
3. **Body Position**
 - a. Rider uses proper body position in a turn.
 - b. Rider is balanced on foot pegs while standing with legs and arms slightly bent.
4. **Vehicle Control**
 - a. All wheels remain in contact with the ground.
 - b. Rider's hands and feet are always able to utilize controls.
 - c. Vehicle is doing what the rider wants it to do at all times.
5. **Avoiding Obstacles**
 - a. Rider maneuvers vehicle around obstacle.
 - b. Rider does not accidentally use excessive throttle.
 - c. Rider does not display confusion or indecision during execution.
6. **Controlled Stop**
 - a. Rider uses all brakes to stop the motorcycle
 - b. ATV stops with minimal sliding
 - c. Rider maintains head position and body position while stopping
7. **Single Track/Dual Track**
 - a. A single track obstacle is one which only affects one side of the quad, i.e. the left tires only
 - b. A dual track obstacle affects all four tires – the left track and the right track.
 - c. Motorcycles are single track by nature of having two in-line wheels

Class Minimum Requirements

1. Bring your own motorcycle
2. Have completed the OPRD on-line Safety Education Course
 - Bring ATV Safety Education Card or printed Certificate of Completion
3. Have a parent or guardian accompany you (15 or younger)
4. Helmet (DOT approved motorcycle helmet that fits properly)
5. Goggles (or helmet w/shield)
6. Gloves
7. Sturdy over-the-ankle shoes or boots
8. Long-sleeve shirt
9. Long pants

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Additional Modules (optional, not to be evaluated)

1. Hills
2. Whoops
3. Loading/unloading motorcycles
4. Turning OHV around from stop,
 - a. On hills
 - b. On flat ground
5. Misc discussion items (also covered on-line)
 - a. Riding in groups: Waiting at intersections for rider behind you.
 - b. Hand signals (indicating how many riders behind you or in another group you encounter).