

Motorcycle Safety Education Program

At

McDowell Technical Community College

The Motorcycle Safety Training classes are offered through McDowell Technical Community College utilizing curriculum and materials developed by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. You do not have to know how to ride a motorcycle in order to take our class. However, you must be able to ride a bicycle, and you must possess some degree of strength, since the course is physically demanding. You should be able to support a 300-pound motorcycle while straddling it, and have the strength and ability to push the motorcycle for a distance up to 120 feet. Hot and cold weather conditions can add to the strenuous conditions you may encounter while taking the course.

This class will teach you safety skills that will enable you to reduce your tension and enjoy motorcycling more. Many self-taught riders are not aware of the skills you will be learning that are designed to minimize chances of accidents or injuries. Successful completion of this course will exempt you from having to take the riding portion of the DMV Motorcycle endorsement test. In addition, many insurance companies offer premium discounts for successful graduates of this course. There is no better way to get expert driving instruction with the benefits mentioned above than through a community college sponsored Motorcycle Rider Safety Course.

Total cost for this course is \$145.00 + \$6.00 student insurance fee for a total cost of \$151.00 which includes a student workbook. Please make checks or money orders payable to MTCC.

Class Schedule

Friday	6:00 – 9:30 pm (classroom instruction only, William Harold Smith building, MTCC Campus)
Saturday	8 am – 12 noon (on the range) 12 noon - 1 pm lunch (on your own) 1 pm – 6 pm (range and classroom)
Sunday	8 am – 12 noon (on the range) 12 noon - 1 pm lunch (on your own) 1 pm – 6 pm (range and classroom)

It is extremely important to be on time for each session as the instruction builds and cannot be repeated. Late arrivals are subject to be scrubbed from the class with no refund.

Important

We provide the motorcycles for the training. Listed below are items you will need to wear when riding the range portion of this course. You will not need these items on Friday night.

1. *A helmet (if you have one, must be DOT or SNELL approved)
2. Long sleeves - a shirt or jacket
3. Long pants
4. Full-fingered gloves (leather or cloth preferred, no nylon)
5. Boots or shoes that cover the ankles (no canvas type shoes)
6. Eye protection (eyeglasses or sunglasses), full-faced helmet, or face shield

*If you don't have a helmet, or access to one, please contact Brad Ledbetter at (828) 652-0674.

It is important that students participating in these classes to have experience riding a bicycle.

In addition, it may be necessary to dress for inclement weather. As a general rule, rain will not delay or cancel riding instructions.

Additional Information

The Friday night classroom portion will be held on MTCC campus. The motorcycle riding range is located in Morganton off of exit 103 in the old Carolina Shoe parking lot. We will provide driving directions to each student during the class on Friday night.

We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause some of our students.

Refund Policy

Refunds are made only if the class does not make or the student requests a refund before the class begins on Friday night. Students that do not pass the Motorcycle Safety class will not be eligible for a refund.