

FLORIDA DRIVER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Mandatory Programs - Required for all First Time Drivers

DETS (Driver Education Traffic Safety)

All first time drivers under 18 must complete a 6-hour DETS course before applying for a learners permit

Driver Education Licensing Assistace Programs (DELAP) courses offered by some county school boards may substitutue for this requiement

Contact your local school board for more information

Click on the link below for all authorized providers for the DETS course.

Licensing Requirements

Teens (ages 15+) take a Class E Knowledge exam plus vision and hearing tests. They must also provide identification, address, and parental consent

Supervised Driving and Practice Hours

Must complete 50 hours of driving experience. 10 hours of which must be completed at night

Road Skills/Driving Test

At age 16 or after holding a learner's permit for 12 months or until turning 18, teens take the Class E Driving Skills Test

Graduated Driver License Restrictions

Daytime -only driving rules apply for the first 3 months; curfews depend on the teens age

FLHSMV DETS

Driver Education Traffic Safety Courses

Florida Virtual School	Florida Virtual School Driver Education
Orange County Virtual School	Driver's Education at OCVS Complete course then 6 FREE hours of Behind-The-Wheel Training
The Florida Safety Council	Florida Safety Council Resources Behind the Wheel Driver Training
Other Public School Systems	**Volusia County** Driver's Education **Lake County** Driver's Education **Seminole County** Behind the Wheel Lottery SCPS offers free vouchers for a specific number of students each school year. Students are anonymously selected if they are active SCPS students and have successfully completed the Driver's Education course.

E-Bike Resources

E- Bike Training For Teens	Teen E-Bike Training
FDOT Resources for E-Bike Safety	E-Bike Safety
Florida Bicycle Association	Resource Collection E-Bikes
MetroPlan Orlando Youth Outreach	E-Bike Safety Outreach
Electric Bike Academy	Become Road Ready

Advocacy Programs

Battle of the Belts	Free kit designed to educate teens on the importance of wearing a seat belt while driving
Florida Teen Driving Coalition	Free materials from the Florida Traffic Safety Resource Center
FLHSMV Driving Safety Program for Schools	Host a teen driver safety expert at your school to speak to teens about traffic safety and driving laws
Defensive Driving Courses	Optional courses (online/in person) can teach safe driving techniques and my qualify teens for insurance discounts
Teen Driver Challenge Florida Sherriffs Association	A free program run by the Florida Sherriff's' Office offering hands-on defensive driving and safety skills
Insurance Discounts for Teens	Many Florida insurers offer discounts for completing approved driver education courses, maintaining good student status or completing defensive driving courses
American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association	The ADTSEA-FL aims to improve the quality of driver education in Florida through advocacy and the sharing of resources
B.R.A.K.E.S - Be Responsible and Keep Everyone Safe	A free defensive driving course offered around the country. Curriculum covers topics like crash avoidance and car control. Must have a drivers license to participate
FORD - Driving Skills for Life	A free driver safety education program, available across the country, created to help newly licensed drivers develop real world driving skills
Students Against Destructive Decisions: Florida Chapter	An interactive toolkit designed to encourage their parents to make safe and smart decisions while driving
Impact Teen Drivers	Free interactive education modules designed to engage teens in discussion around choices made behind the wheel
Tire Rack Street Survival	Nationwide paid program where teen drivers learn how to handle unpredictable situations on the roads, react quicker and make good driving decisions.
AAA - Teen Driver Safety	Free resources for parents to help their teen become a safe driver