

Learn 2 Ride, Inc. TM

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What is a RiderCoach?

A RiderCoach is a dedicated motorcyclist who has made a commitment to self and the motorcycling community by investing significant time and effort to successfully complete the NYS DMV approved MSF / NYSMSP Certification Course.

How do I become a RiderCoach?

- Submit an application and be accepted
- Complete the Range Aide Process
- Complete the RiderCoach Candidate Process
- Complete local Peer Teaching
- Successfully complete the RiderCoach Prep Workshop / Certification Course

*From its inception, the requirements for RiderCoach Candidates have been established by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation's standards and the Commissioner's regulations for driving schools (Part 76.15) and for the conduct of the motor vehicle accident prevention course (Part 138.7)

Application - What must I know to apply?

- Be at least 21 years of age
- Be a licensed (minimum 2 years), experienced motorcyclist
- Be currently riding on a frequent, routine basis.
- Have good communication skills
- Have a high school or high school equivalency diploma
- Have no driver's license suspension or revocation within the five (5) years prior to applying.
- Have no alcohol related driving conviction within the seven (7) years prior to applying
- Have not been convicted within ten (10) years prior to becoming an instructor of a felony or crime involving violence, dishonesty, degeneracy, moral turpitude, deceit, or fraud, including but not limited to theft, forgery, making false written statements, rape, perjury, fraud or bribery
- You need to be able to give your time to teach RiderCourses. Although you will get paid for teaching, you won't become rich in this field
- You should have a sincere desire to help reduce motorcycle crashes, injuries and deaths
- You must be sponsored by a Training Site that will employ you as an apprentice RiderCoach where you will co-teach with a seasoned RiderCoach. This insures that your educational and professional development as a RiderCoach will continue in a safe, consistent and positive manner
- Complete and Submit the RiderCoach (RC) Application

Range Aide Process

Purpose: To provide the RCC an opportunity to observe and assist with BRC Classroom and Range Activities in order to make a final informed decision about becoming a RiderCoach.

Requirements:

- Current MSF Application Form
- L2R Range Aide Training Sheet

Range Aide will assist RiderCoaches with:

- Classroom activities
 - Set up Classroom
 - Assist with Handouts, Handbooks, eCourse Certificates, Riding Gear
 - Assist with NYSMSP / MSF Registrations & Waivers
 - Assist with local paperwork
 - Assist with Activities
 - Provide other assistance within reason as requested
- Range Exercises
 - Moving motorcycles to and from Range
 - Cone placement for Range Exercises
 - Observe RC's per Mentoring Checklist Form. See Mentor form.
 - Provide other assistance with reason as requested
- NO Actual Coaching of Students is allowed at this point.

RC Candidate Process – Status updated upon mutual approval of Mentor, Site & Candidate

Purpose: To fully prepare the RCC for the RCP

Requirements:

- MSF Pre-Requisite Sheet
- L2R RC Candidate Training Sheet

In addition to Range Aide components, the RCC will also:

- Receive the MSF RiderCoach Guide (RCG)
- Introduce and initiate Classroom Activities
- Introduce Range Exercises (under direct supervision)
- Provide Riding and Simulated Practice Demonstrations – after practice, testing and approval
- Observe and critique RC's with Mentor and per Mentoring Form
- “Shadow” (No actual Coaching) under direct supervision

- RCG – Introduction, Homework assignments, knowledge and comprehension understanding. Augmented with Power Point Presentation Review of RCG
- Pre-Course Assignment
- Monitor a complete Basic RiderCourse with the Site Administrator
- Successfully Complete a Basic RiderCourse as a Student
- Complete and submit a Pre-Course Assignment
- Attend supervised RC Candidate study sessions as available to prepare for the RCP

Peer Teaching – As Available / Minimum 2 full Courses

Purpose: To gain experience by demonstrating the ability to conduct Range Exercises prior to the RCP

- Using other RC Candidates and Site RC's as Students
- Conduct all Exercises – 1 as C1 and 1 as C2

RiderCoach Prep (RCP) Workshop / Certification Course

Purpose: The RCP is currently an 8 day process; typically 2 Four Day Weekends, in which you will learn the nuts and bolts of teaching the MSF's Basic RiderCourse.

RiderCoach Trainers conduct the RCP in accordance with MSF Standards and Requirements. Components include:

- Overviews of the RCG, BRC Classroom & Range Exercises
- Practice peer-teaching in the Classroom and on the Range
- Conduct and manage the range exercises
- Evaluate and coach students as they develop their riding skills
- Successful completion requirements:
 - Pass a Knowledge Test
 - You must pass it to continue in the program
 - Pass the BRC Skill Evaluation
 - The same test you took and passed in the BRC; however, the standards are higher for RiderCoach Candidates
 - Conduct a complete BRC to 12 new riders under RiderCoach Trainer evaluation
 - Successfully completing student teaching is your final requirement to qualify for MSF and NYSMSP RiderCoach certification

Additional requirements

- NYSMSP Policy & Procedures verification
- CPR / First Aid Certification

When is the course offered?

Typically a course is offered when there is a need for instructors in a particular area.

Course tuition:

There is no course tuition fee in New York State; however, lodging (if necessary), travel, or personal expenses will be the Candidate's responsibility.

Other factoids

- If you are accepted in a course, be prepared to ride every day. That means you have to wear appropriate riding gear: over-the-ankle leather boots, long pants, long sleeved shirt and/or jacket, full-fingered gloves and a DOT-approved motorcycle helmet.
- Be prepared to spend time during off-class hours to study. This is an intensive training program that requires a significant investment of time, effort, and concentration to complete.
- Not all candidates who are accepted into the course will complete the course
- All certified instructors are required to teach a minimum number of classes per season at an approved training site in order to maintain their RiderCoach certification.
- Be prepared to "adjust" many of your own opinions and ideas about motorcycle riding, as participation in the program requires strict adherence to the national Motorcycle Safety Foundation curriculum.
- Teaching these courses is a tremendously rewarding activity. It allows you to participate directly in an activity that makes motorcycling safer for all participants. As an added benefit, there is a very strong possibility that you will become a higher skilled and better rider.

RiderCoach Standards and Responsibilities

MSF-certified RiderCoaches follow a set of standards to help ensure that motorcycle safety programs are taught in a consistently safe, efficient, and professional manner. Included in the standards are requirements for continuing education and completing professional development updates when available. RiderCoaches wear all protective gear when riding to, from, and during rider training activities. Ideally, all protective gear is worn at all times. And, of course, RiderCoaches teach the courses as designed by MSF and requires approval prior to adding or deleting anything to the RiderCourses.

How can I find out when/where a course will be offered?

Contact the local Site Administrator, Ron Hinz at 585-615-7433 or via email:

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