

Education Requirements for DUI and Traffic Safety Schools and Instructors

1. All materials for a course, including, without limitation, the syllabus, an outline, a handout, an audiovisual aid, an examination and other related course materials to be used by students must be submitted to the department for approval before their use in any course, including a course provided by correspondence or an interactive course that uses communications technology. All materials for a course, whether written or audio or visual, must relate directly to the syllabus of the course. NAC 483.777.1
2. The operator of a school shall obtain the prior written approval of the department before allowing a guest speaker who is a guest to present any part of the course. A presentation by an approved guest speaker who is a guest may be no more than one-half of any session of a class and no more than 1 1/2 hours of the total length of the course. A guest speaker need not be licensed as an instructor by the department. NAC 483.777.3
3. An instructor and a guest speaker of a course may use: Audio and visual aids, motion pictures and printed materials if they relate directly to the curriculum in a school licensed to conduct a course on the abuse of alcohol and controlled substances. NAC 483.777.2

For traffic safety classes: NAC 483.783

1. A course on traffic safety must include instruction in the following subjects
 - A. The common sense of driving;
 - B. Use and maintenance of required safety equipment;
 - C. Defensive driving;
 - D. Established speed laws;
 - E. Proper use of lanes;
 - F. Backing up safely;
 - G. Intersection;
 - H. Passing;
 - I. The various demands of driving in the city, country or on the highway;
 - J. Hazardous conditions;
 - K. The effect of alcohol and controlled substances on the ability to drive;
 - L. Driver responsibility;
 - M. Traffic signs, signals and pavement markings;
 - N. Licensing control measures; and
 - O. Driving as a privilege rather than a right.

For DUI classes: NAC 483.782

1. A course on the abuse of alcohol and controlled substances must include instruction in the following subjects:
 - A. The problem of driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or controlled substances as it exists in this state and the United States, including relevant statistics;

- B. The law against driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or controlled substances in this state, including penalties, the specific prohibition against driving with a concentration of 0.08 grams or more of alcohol per 100 milliliters of the blood of a person or per 210 liters of his breath, implied consent to a test of a driver's breath, blood or urine, summary revocation of drivers' licenses and related matters;
 - C. The responsibilities and procedures of law enforcement agencies, the courts and the department regarding driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or controlled substances;
 - D. The adverse effects of alcohol and controlled substances on bodily organs and the central nervous system, including the effects of abuse and addiction;
 - E. The adverse effects of alcohol and controlled substances on a person's ability to drive;
 - F. The possible effects of a conviction for driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or controlled substances on a person's employment and personal life; and
 - G. The types of treatment which are available for abusers of alcohol and controlled substances.
2. The time of instruction in a course on the abuse of alcohol and controlled substances must include subjects relating to:
 - A. The abuse of alcohol and controlled substances; and
 - B. Traffic safety and traffic laws which are primarily applicable to driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or controlled substances.
 3. The instructor of a course on the abuse of alcohol and controlled substances:
 - A. May administer a preliminary written examination at the first meeting of the class to determine the knowledge of each student regarding driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or controlled substances and the abuse of alcohol, controlled substances and other chemicals; and
 - B. Shall administer a final written or oral examination, at least half of which is directly related to driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or controlled substances.
 - C. A class must meet, excluding periods of rest, for a total of at least 8 or more hours, for not more than 4 hours per session and not more than one session per day. Class must meet at least twice in successive weeks. Each hour must contain at least 50 minutes of instruction. This includes the time for instruction in the subjects of the course and administration of the preliminary and final examinations. NAC 483.767.3

For correspondence; communication technology. NAC 483.778

1. A school may offer a correspondence course only if the school is approved for teaching the course in the classroom.
2. A school for training drivers may offer an interactive course that uses communications technology if the school is approved for teaching the course in the classroom and the communication technology system is approved by the Department.
3. A course given by correspondence or an interactive course that uses communication technology must have the same content as the course given in the classroom and if given by correspondence must entail at least 8 hours of study for its completion by an average student or if given by communications technology must consist of sequence of units of instruction, each of which entails at least as many hours of study for its completion by an average student as such a student would require to complete that unit in a classroom.
4. The school for training drivers must satisfy the Department that the communications technology accurately measures and records the amount of time spent by a student to complete a unit of instruction and that the student will be required to take the final examination for the course in person at the school or that the communications technology accurately measures and records the amount of time spent by a student to complete a unit of instruction, prevents the student from advancing to a subsequent unit of instruction if the student fails to complete the current unit or completes the current unit in less time than required, includes a system of validation criteria that establishes the identity of the student working on each unit of instruction, prevents a student who fails to satisfy 10 percent or more of the validation criteria from performing any additional work on that unit and receiving a certificate of completion for the course, and generates a report that include the full legal name of the student, the date and time that the student begins and ends each work session and the total actual time spent by a student to complete each unit.
5. The operator of a school must submit a report to the department whenever a student enrolls in a correspondence course or an interactive course that uses communications technology. The report must include the name of the student, his or her social security number, date of birth, place of residence and the name of the entity which referred him to the school.
6. Each student enrolled in a course taught by correspondence or an interactive course that uses communications technology must take a final examination and sign a notarized statement, under penalty of perjury, that he took the examination. If the student is under 18 years of age, a parent or legal guardian must sign the statement. The examination and the signed statement must be maintained in the school's file for the student and be made available for inspection by the department.