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Starting July 1, new motorcyclists must take and pass the Basic Rider Course through the Florida Rider Trainer Program before they can have the motorcycle endorsement added to their license, per Section 322.12(5)(a), Florida Statutes.

After July 1 of this year, everyone will have to take the class and pass the test, no matter their age. Future motorcyclists will be able to find a Basic Rider Course sponsor or teacher on our website. Upon successful completion, the sponsor will submit the pass results electronically to the department records. Upon receiving the results, the applicant will be processed for a motorcycle endorsement.

The Department's Florida Rider Training Program has a wealth of information on motorcycle safety and proper licensure. For more information, check out [Florida Rider Training Program website](#). Also information on where to find approved [sponsors](#) who teach the course can be found here.

Please note that anyone driving a motorcycle without an endorsement is violating the law, today.

What if I had completed the tests before July 1 and did not get the endorsement by that date? Will my waiver from a third party tester be honored?

Yes. As long as the tests have been successfully completed, you can still get the endorsement up to 1 year from the date of the waiver.

What happens if I had a motorcycle permit from a DL office prior to July 1 but did not complete my tests?

You have to take the Basic Rider Course before securing your endorsement.

What if I have completed the Experienced Rider Course but did not secure my endorsement before July 1, 2008?

You still have to take the Basic Rider Course before you can secure the endorsement and be legal to drive a motorcycle.

What does getting a "Motorcycle Only" driver license involve?

- Be at least 16 years old, and if under 18, hold a Learner's License for one year with no traffic convictions.
- Pass the same knowledge test as for a regular Class E operator's driver license.
- You must complete the basic motorcycle safety course.
- After you complete the course go to a driver license office or tax collector office that issues licenses and inform them that you completed the course. Upon providing proper ID and paying the required endorsements fees your license will be issued