

Drivers Education Guidance for Behind the Wheel Instruction Phase 1

Safeguarding Guidance:

In addition to CDC guidelines, the State of New Hampshire recommends the drivers education industry establish measures to protect consumers and employees.

Employee Protection

- 1) Fresh air should be coming into the car consistently during the drive using open windows, the heater or air conditioning systems.
- 2) Air recirculation should not be turned on.
- 3) Instructors and students will wear a cloth face covering or mask at all times while conducting behind the wheel training.
- 4) Only student driver and instructor will be allowed in the car.
- 5) Before each drive, students will be asked health screening questions as outlined in Universal Guidelines.
 - Have you returned from international or domestic travel via bus, train or airline within the last 14 days?
 - Have you had contact with anyone with confirmed or suspected of having, COVID-19 in the last 14 days?
 - Have you had any of the following symptoms in the past 72 hours?
 - Feeling feverish: feeling flushed, having chills, or otherwise like you might have fever even if your temperature is normal?
 - Cough, sore throat, sneezing, or shortness of breath?
 - Two or more of these other signs of illness not due to a chronic medical condition: fatigue, muscle aches, joint aches, headache?
 - Loss of taste or smell?

Consumer Protection

- 1) Instructors will be responsible for ensuring safe practices as it relates to hygiene, disinfection and illness policies and adhere to the Universal Guidelines as laid out in Stay at Home 2.0.
- 2) Instructors and students will wash their hands before entering the car or use hand sanitizer.
- 3) Instructors will allow cleaning time between student drives.
- 4) Before each drive, car surfaces will be disinfected to include:
 - Door handles
 - All switches and instruments
 - Steering wheel and steering column adjustments
 - Gear shift, emergency brake and its button/lever

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- Rear view mirror and adjustment
- Seatbelt straps, buckles and release latches
- Seat controls, head restraints, fuel door release lever
- Keys and key fob

5) Instructors will clean the car as the student watches so they are comfortable they are entering a safe environment.

6) Instructors will monitor their temperature daily before beginning lessons. Instructors will monitor their own health and cancel drives as needed, if symptoms include:

- Fever of 100.4 or above.
- Respiratory symptoms such as sore throat, cough, or shortness of breath.
- Flu-like symptoms such as muscle aches, chills and severe fatigue.
- Changes in a person's sense of taste or smell.

Business Process Adaptations

1) Classroom instruction shall continue to use remote learning platforms until guidance for education is adopted in accordance with the Governor's emergency order #18.

2) Observation drive time will continue to be completed and certified by parents.

3) Students will not congregate while waiting to begin a driving lesson. They should stay in their car until the instructor is ready for them and the previous student has left.

4) Students will notify instructors as early as possible should they not be able to drive and instructors will have a policy in place for when a student can resume driving if/when they are ill.