

Motor Vehicle Division Informational Memo # 20-36

Motorized Bicycle (Moped) Rider Education Administrative Rule Updates

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SUBJECT

This informational memo explains updates to administrative rule chapter 761—636, Moped Rider Education.

SUMMARY

The amendments to this rule chapter relate to moped rider education and align with existing legal authority and department practice. Specifically, the amendments do the following:

- Allow the certificate of completion of an approved moped rider education course to be submitted electronically through our online reporting system by a participating Iowa-approved moped rider education provider.
- Specify the length of validity of the moped rider education course approval and renewal procedures, and consolidate the instructor and course approval requirements because those requirements are the same for all entities providing moped rider education, except for the application fee, which only applies to private providers.
- Incorporate the clear driving record standards used for behind-the-wheel driver education and motorcycle rider education instructors.

The administrative rule amendments are effective December 9, 2020.

LINK TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

<https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/aco/arc/5258C.pdf>

CURRENT

Administrative rule chapter 761—636 currently addresses moped rider education requirements, but does not fully align with current department practices.

NEW

As of December 9, 2020, the rules will align with current department practices related to the moped rider education program as outlined in the summary above. In addition, these amendments will allow certificates of completion for moped rider education courses to be submitted electronically via the ARTS online portal, if and when programming is completed to accommodate this change.

BUSINESS IMPACT

This directive does not significantly impact the way that DIS service center staff operates because the moped rider education program is administered by central office staff in Ankeny. However, it is important for staff to be aware of these administrative rule updates.