



PROFESSIONAL DRIVING SCHOOL UbelPDS@comcast.net 541 747 4411

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THANK YOU for YOUR INTEREST in The PROFESSIONAL DRIVING SCHOOL.

Our School is Certified by the State of Oregon, Bonded and Insured. We have been Serving the Eugene / Springfield area since 1978 and Continue to offer Quality, Expert Driving Instruction.

The Behind-the-Wheel Training *emphasizes* the Survival Skills of Critical Observation and Anticipation in Defensive Driving for:

- * Teen-agers
- * University Students
- * International Visitors
- * Refresher Courses
- * Beginning Drivers of all Ages
- * Individual Driver Improvement
- * Sr. Citizen Re-Exam Preparation

All Behind-the-Wheel Training is Private and Tailored to meet the individual's own needs and requirements.

The number of hours required to learn to drive depends on such factors as: age, previous driving experience, eagerness to learn, nervousness, etc. Though a client may take as many or as few lessons as desired, we recommend a minimum of 6 hours. **SIX HOURS OF DRIVING LESSONS DOES NOT MAKE A DRIVER!** We provide a good, comprehensive foundation upon which to build. Becoming a good, safe driver is an ongoing learning process that continues through years of driving.

Teen-agers generally do well with 6 to 12 hours (usually getting lots of practice time from family). Lessons are normally spaced over 2 to 3 weeks, to allow practice time.

To meet the Graduated Driver License (GDL) requirement, teens under 18 must have 50 hours of supervised practice in addition to completion of an "ODOT-approved" Traffic Safety Education course, which consists of 30 classroom hours and 6 hours of Behind-the-Wheel instruction. If the student does not complete an "ODOT-approved" course, 100 hours of supervised practice are required. We offer an 8-hour classroom course, "Partners in Driver Education" to help parents or coaches and teens work constructively together during those 100 hours of supervised practice.

College students typically average 12 to 24 hours (8 to 16 lessons) or more.
Older adult beginners can expect considerably more hours.

We teach the essential steering, observation and driving skills needed to become a competent driver. As in any other skill, proficiency comes with practice. Therefore, we encourage practicing the techniques, as we've taught them, as much as possible between lessons.

The Behind-the-Wheel lessons cover, but are not limited to:

- * Steering techniques
- * Acceleration & Braking (speed control)
- * Right & Left Turns (lots & lots)
- * Observation Techniques (Look to Live)
- * Anticipation Techniques (Defensive Driving)
- * Winding Roads, Hills & Curves
- * Highway, Freeway, Cloverleaf Interchange
- * Signs, Signals, Lines, Lanes
- * Two-way & One-way Streets
- * Changing Lanes (check blind spot)
- * Parking - Hill, Perpendicular, Parallel
- * Traffic Interaction - Moderate to Heavier