



BRC Web Enhanced Course:

Are there any prerequisites for the eCourse Basic Rider Course?

There are two:

- Students must have the ability to ride a bicycle.
- Students must **complete** the online eCourse prior to their class start date.

What is the online eCourse?

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) has updated their curriculum for the Basic Rider Course to include an *online*, interactive eCourse which takes a portion of the classroom learning experience right into the comfort of your own home. The eCourse emphasizes the basic knowledge and concepts of riding a motorcycle. By covering key components of a motorcycle's basic operation prior to class (e.g. motorcycle controls, riding strategies, etc.), students will arrive to class ready for their hands-on training.

Who needs to take the online eCourse?

Any student enrolling in a *Basic Rider Course – Web Enhanced* class, must take the online eCourse. **This is a required component of the class and it must be completed prior to the start of your class.** Failure to provide your MSF eCourse completion certificate in class will result in dismissal from the course and loss of your registration fee.

How do I access the eCourse?

A link to the eCourse will be *emailed* to all registered *Basic Rider Course – Web Enhanced* students at least one week prior to the class start date. Because access to the link will be provided via email, it is *imperative* for all registered students to have a valid email address on file with Northern Michigan University. To verify your email address, please call the CEWD Office at 906-227-2103 or send an email to conteduc@nmu.edu.

Is there an extra charge to take the online eCourse?

No, the cost of the online eCourse is built into the cost of your class. The CEWD office will email you a specific link and unique coupon code for the online eCourse at least one week prior to the class start date. However, if you do not use the provided coupon code, MSF will assess a \$19.95, non-refundable fee.

What if I do not have computer/internet access – can I still take the eCourse?

Yes, students without a computer and/or internet access may use computers at a local library.

How long does the online portion of the eCourse take?

The online portion takes a **minimum of 3 hours** to complete. Students will have the option of going at a slower pace and/or repeating segments, if necessary. Students will also have the ability to complete the eCourse in multiple sittings.



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How long is my eCourse Certificate of Completion valid for?

The eCourse certificate states that it is valid for 30 days from the date of completion.

What equipment do I need to bring to class?

- A printed eCourse completion certificate is **required** for the first day of class.
- Riding Gear which includes: DOT-approved motorcycle helmet, long sleeve jacket or heavy shirt, heavy duty long pants, eye protection – goggles or glasses (required even with a face shield helmet), full fingered gloves, boots (ankles must be covered and boot must have a hard sole – high heels or high-top tennis shoes are not permitted), rain and cold weather gear, as needed.

What if it rains or snows?

We do run class in inclement weather, so please dress appropriately. The instructor has final discretion on delaying a class due to weather.

How much time will we spend in the classroom and riding on the range?

This class consists of approximately 18 hours of instructions – 3 hours of eCourse instruction, 5 hours of classroom instruction, and 10 hours of hands-on training on the range.

For double size classes, the class hours listed are significantly more than required for the class, why do I have to be available for so many hours on Saturday and Sunday?

During the first session, the class will be broken down into groups and specific riding schedules will be assigned. You will not be expected to be on site the entire time, but will need to be available the hours assigned to your group. We cannot predict or guarantee any specific times, so you must be available for the full time identified in the description.

Can I come whatever time fits my schedule? Can I be late?

No, attendance is strictly enforced. When registering, please be careful to select a class that best fits your schedule. You must also be on time. Being late results in automatic failure, and on the first day of class, will forfeit your spot in the class. We do not offer make up times, refunds or transfers.

I'm not registered, can I walk-in to a Basic Rider Course?

Only students with an approved **retake form** from a previous course can attempt to walk-in to a Basic Rider Course. The number of walk-in seats available will be based on the number of *registered* student(s) who do not show up. Students with a **retake form** hoping for a walk-in seat should arrive no more than 30 minutes prior to the start time of the class. There is no guarantee that seats will become available, and seats are not assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. At the class start time, walk-in names will be called from a random lottery drawing. If a student's name is called, he/she must be prepared to register, pay, and begin attending on the spot.

Do I need a temporary motorcycle permit (TIP) before taking this course?

No.



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Will I obtain my endorsement after taking this course?

Upon successful completion of the Basic Rider Course, you will be issued a State of Michigan, Certificate of Completion which is good for one year from the date of issue and waives the written and riding skills tests. You will still need to go to the Secretary of State's Office to complete the vision screening and pay the endorsement fee.

What is the cost of the Motorcycle Safety Courses?

All of our Motorcycle Safety courses are \$50. This fee is non-refundable and non-transferable. NO EXCEPTIONS.

How do I register?

Students can register for motorcycle courses offered through Northern Michigan University **online** at: <https://nmu.edu/motorcyclesafety>.

Can I get a refund, transfer classes or switch with a family member?

No. We apologize, but we are unable to process requests for refunds and transfers for Motorcycle Safety classes. Switching with a family member is also not permissible. Any family member wishing to take the class must register and pay on their own.

I need to retake the Basic Rider Course, do I need to pay again?

Yes. You will need to register for the new Basic Rider Course and pay the \$50 registration fee. As a retake student, you may attempt to walk-in to a full class. To do so, arrive no more than 30 minutes prior to the start time of the class. At the class start time, walk-in names will be called from a random lottery drawing. If a student's name is called, he/she must be prepared to register, pay, and begin attending on the spot. There is no guarantee that seats will become available, and seats are not assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

I need to retake the Basic Rider Course, do I need to retake the online eCourse as well?

If your new Basic Rider Course class begins within 30 days from the eCourse completion date printed on your certificate, then no. However, if it has been longer than 30 days, you will need to take the eCourse again.