



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4508.03 Driver training school license requirements - driver training program for disabled persons.

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(A) No person shall establish a driver training school or continue the operation of an existing school unless the person applies for and obtains from the director of public safety a license in the manner and form prescribed by the director.

The director shall adopt rules that establish the requirements for a school license, including requirements concerning location, equipment, courses of instruction, instructors, previous records of the school and instructors, financial statements, schedule of fees and charges, insurance in the sum and with those provisions as the director considers necessary to protect adequately the interests of the public, and any other matters as the director may prescribe for the protection of the public. The rules also shall require financial responsibility information as part of the driver education curriculum.

(B) Any school that offers a driver training program for persons with disabilities shall provide specially trained instructors for the driver training of such persons. No school shall operate a driver training program for persons with disabilities after June 30, 1978, unless it has been licensed for such operation by the director. No person shall act as a specially trained instructor in a driver training program for persons with disabilities operated by a school after June 30, 1978, unless that person has been licensed by the director.

(C) The director shall certify instructors to teach driver training to persons with disabilities in accordance with training program requirements established by the department of public safety.

The director shall issue a certificate to teach driver training to persons with disabilities in accordance with Chapter 4796. of the Revised Code to a person if either of the following applies:

- (1) The person holds a license or certificate in another state.
- (2) The person has satisfactory work experience, a government certification, or a private certification



as described in that chapter teaching driver training to persons with disabilities in a state that does not issue that license or certificate.

(D) No person shall operate a driver training school unless the person has a valid license issued by the director under this section.

(E) Whoever violates division (D) of this section is guilty of operating a driver training school without a valid license, a misdemeanor of the second degree. On a second or subsequent offense within two years after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

The Legislative Service Commission presents the text of this section as a composite of the section as amended by multiple acts of the General Assembly. This presentation recognizes the principle stated in R.C. 1.52(B) that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation.