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# **HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACT DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM REGULATIONS**

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**HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACT**  
**Chapter H-5**

**DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM REGULATIONS**

Made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council under the *Highway Traffic Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-5.

**1. Persons required to take defensive course**

Every person whose driving privileges, including a driver's license, are suspended under regulations made under section 284 of the *Highway Traffic Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. H-5, shall take a defensive driving course prescribed by these regulations. (EC751/73)

**2. Completion of course**

A person required to take a defensive driving course shall complete the defensive driving course within six months of a date fixed by the Registrar. (EC751/73)

**3. Composition of course**

(1) The defensive driving course prescribed by these regulations shall be known as the Driver Improvement Program and may in the discretion of the Minister be comprised of any or all of the following:

- (a) a highway driving test;
- (b) an introductory session describing the Driver Improvement Program and the requirements of each person taking the program;
- (c) films and lectures of a number, duration and type approved by the Minister;
- (d) questionnaires designed to determine a person's attitude towards his driving; and
- (e) a final examination on the rules of the road, the safe operation of motor vehicles, and such other related matters as the Minister may deem advisable.

**Locations**

(2) The Driver Improvement Program described in subsection (1) shall be conducted at the City of Charlottetown, the City of Summerside, and such other locations as the Minister may prescribe and at such time as the Minister may prescribe.

**Sessions**

- (3) A Driver Improvement Program shall be conducted on the basis of five two-hour sessions; at least one session being held per week, or more frequently if the instructor and the persons taking the course agree.

**Manual**

- (4) The Minister may approve a manual for the Driver Improvement Program and such manual may contain information and details relating to matters comprising the Driver Improvement Program. *(EC751/73)*

**4. Instructors**

- (1) The Driver Improvement Program shall be conducted by instructors appointed by the Minister.

**Records**

- (2) The instructors shall maintain a record for each person taking the Driver Improvement Program wherein the instructor shall record his progress and attitude, and any numerical rating achieved by him in examinations held during the program.

**Passing grade**

- (3) A passing grade in any examinations held under the Driver Improvement Program will be determined by the Minister.

**Reports**

- (4) The instructor shall, at the conclusion of the Driver Improvement Program, forward a copy of his report to the Minister and to the person being the subject of the report. *(EC751/73)*

**5. Repeat courses**

- (1) Where any person fails to pass a Driver Improvement Program, he may repeat the Driver Improvement Program until he successfully passes it, but he may not take or repeat the course after the expiration of six months from the date fixed by the Registrar pursuant to section 2 requiring him to commence the Driver Improvement Program.

**Continuation of suspension**

- (2) Where a person's suspension pursuant to section 284 of the Act expires while he is taking the Driver Improvement Program, the Registrar may suspend his driver's license for such further length of time as the Registrar may deem necessary.

**Cancellation of license**

- (3) Where any person fails to pass a Driver Improvement Program within the six months period, the Registrar may pursuant to section 264 of the Act, cancel the license of such person. *(EC751/73)*

