ACTION: Original

4501-7-06 Qualifications for instructing persons with a disability for class "D" license schools.

[Comment: For dates and availability of material incorporated by reference in this rule, see paragraph (PP) in rule 4501-7-01 of the Administrative Code.]

(A) No school shall offer behind-the-wheel training programs for persons with a disability unless that school employs a driver training instructor who is certified by the director to provide training for persons with a disability. No instructor shall provide behind-the-wheel training to a student with a disability unless that instructor has been certified by the director to train persons with a disability.

To maintain such endorsement, any disability endorsed instructor shall take a continuing education course approved by the director every three years.

- (B) A medically based hospital or rehabilitation facility that offers instruction for beginning drivers with a disability shall appoint an authorizing official who shall apply for a driver training school license for each driver training facility or school it operates. The school may offer only behind-the-wheel driver training and may refer students under the age of eighteen to another licensed driver training school for the required classroom instruction. The school shall also employ instructors certified to provide driver training instruction for beginning drivers with a disability, and only certified instructors may provide driver training.
 - (1) The authorizing official or training manager of the driver training school at a hospital or rehabilitation facility shall maintain complete records of each student's training at that school. Except for those students who are currently enrolled in or have completed training in an online driver education program, If and if the school is operated by a hospital or rehabilitation facility that does not supply the required classroom training, the authorizing official or training manager shall copy all records produced at that school for students under the age of eighteen taking behind-the-wheel training and forward those records to the driver training school that will complete each student's instruction required by division (C) of section 4508.02 of the Revised Code. The authorizing official or training manager of the driver training school in which a student under eighteen completed classroom training shall, upon the official's or manager's determination of the student's successful completion, issue the student a certificate of completion. Each school's authorizing official or training manager shall maintain complete driver training records applicable to this student, including copies of those completed by another school for the same student. For those students who have completed driver education as required by division (C) of section 4508 .02 of the Revised Code in an online driver education program, the hospital or rehabilitation facility that provides the behind-the-wheel instruction shall supply a "Certficate of Completion" compliant with rule 4501-7-11 of the Administrative Code.

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(2) The medically based hospital or rehabilitation facility shall have sufficient space for storing files. If classroom driver training is not being provided at the medically based hospital or rehabilitation facility, the requirement for a classroom is waived for this type of facility. The facility shall comply with all other requirements of a driver training school under Chapter 4501-7 of the Administrative Code.

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