



SAFETY ROUNDUP

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Motorcycle Safety

Rider Training and Licensing

All riders must have a valid motorcycle endorsement or license to operate a motorcycle on public roadways.

In California: A Class M-1 license, also known as a motorcycle endorsement is required. Obtaining a Class M-1 license can be accomplished by either of the following:

Option 1: Completing an approved Basic Rider’s Course. Courses are offered through the installation traffic safety office.

Option 2: Take the California Motorcycle Driver Skills Test (If over the age of 21). Schedule an appointment and present required documents at a California DMV. Pass the knowledge tests and motorcycle skills test.

If under the age of 21, a California-approved Basic Rider’s Course (BRC) is required prior to completing the above requirements.

Riding on the Installation: Complete Level 1 Training aka BRC or have an M1 endorsement. Riders must complete Level 2 motorcycle training within **180 days** of completing Level 1 training or identified as a licensed rider.

Refresher Training: All riders are required to attend a refresher course at least every **5 years** from the last date of training.

Training can be any Level 2 or 3 training that includes classroom and on-motorcycle skills-based instruction taken at a Marine Corps/DoD Installation or by a civilian provider. **Online training is not acceptable.**

All training records should be submitted to your unit S-3 and entered into MCTFS/MCTIMS.

See your Motorcycle Mentorship (MMP) Club President for assistance and to sign up for the upcoming training courses.

Wear Proper Gear

Proper gear includes a helmet certified by the US Department of Transportation (DOT) denoted by a DOT sticker on the helmet, protective clothing (such as eye/face/ear protection, jackets, pants, and gloves), and sturdy footwear. Protective gear provides crucial protection in case of an accident and reduces the severity of potential injuries.

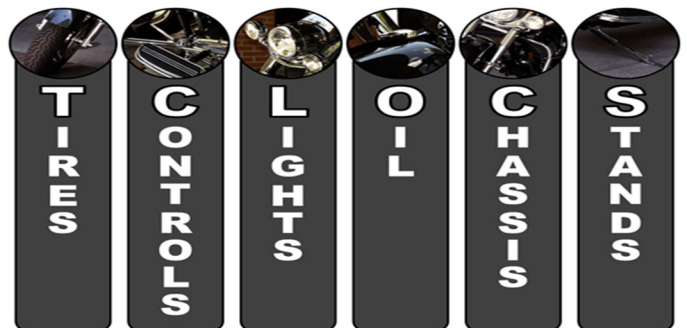
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Regular Maintenance / Pre-Ride Check

Regularly check brakes, tires, lights, and signals. Adhering to a maintenance schedule ensures that your bike functions optimally, minimizing the likelihood of mechanical failures that could lead to an accident.

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation also recommends a quick, pre-ride “T-CLOCS” check before every ride. Checking your Tires, Controls, Lights, Oil, Chassis and Side Stand, can be completed in as a little as a few minutes. These few minutes can save your ride, your motorcycle, but more importantly, your life!



<http://msf-usa.org/documents/library/t-clocs-pre-ride-inspection-checklist/>

Weather / Visibility Awareness

Rain and wet roads reduce traction, while strong winds can destabilize a motorcycle. Adjust your riding style according to weather conditions and, if necessary, avoid riding altogether in severe weather. Always remember, check local weather reports prior to riding. Enhance you're visible to others on the road. Use your headlights at all times, wear brightly colored gear, and position yourself within your lane to be more noticeable to surrounding drivers.



Defensive Riding Techniques

Defensive riding involves staying vigilant, anticipating potential hazards, and taking measures to avoid them. Avoid riding in blind spots, maintain a safe following distance, and consistently monitor your surroundings. Defensive riding can prevent accidents caused by other motorists' mistakes.

Obey Traffic Rules

Motorcyclists are subject to the same traffic laws as other vehicles. Obey speed limits, traffic signals, and road signs. Reckless behavior increases the risk of accidents and endangers both the rider and others on the road. Lane splitting is not authorized aboard Marine Corps installations.

Stay Sober and Alert

Riding under the influence of alcohol or drugs impairs judgment and coordination. This greatly increases the risk of an accident. Stay sober and well-rested before hitting the road. Fatigue can be just as dangerous as impairment, so take breaks when needed.

Avoid Riding Beyond Your Skill Level

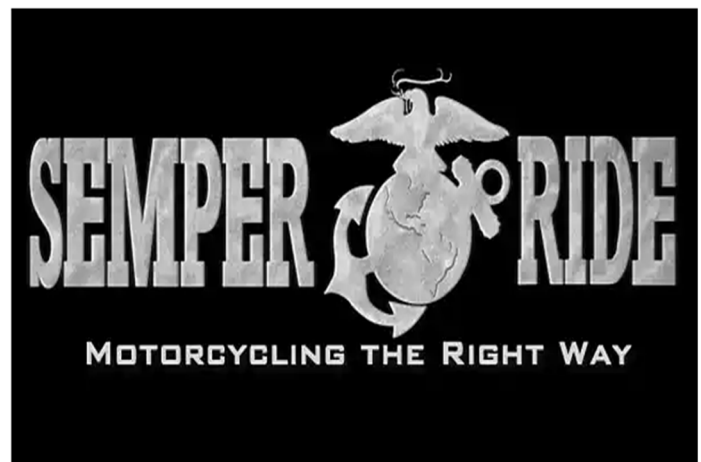
As enticing as it may be to challenge your riding skills, pushing beyond your comfort zone can lead to accidents. Gradually improve your skills and challenge yourself in controlled environments rather than on busy roads.



Additional Information

Information on motorcycle programs and safety refer to MCO 5100.29C Volume 3, Chapter 3: Motorcycle and All-Terrain Vehicle Safety.

For additional questions or assistance with traffic and motorcycle safety, please contact the Traffic Safety Manager at **(760) 763-5070** or the Motorcycle Training Officer at **(760) 725-2897**.



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RESOURCES:

- * [MSF - Motorcycle Safety Foundation: https://msf-usa.org/](https://msf-usa.org/)
- * [NHTSA | National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: https://www.nhtsa.gov/](https://www.nhtsa.gov/)
- * [California Highway Patrol Motorcycle Training: www.chp.ca.gov/EnforcementAndPlanningDivisionSite/Pages/California-Motorcyclist-Training.aspx](http://www.chp.ca.gov/EnforcementAndPlanningDivisionSite/Pages/California-Motorcyclist-Training.aspx)
- * [Travel Risk Information Planning System: https://trips.safety.army.mil/marines/TRiPS-Assessment](https://trips.safety.army.mil/marines/TRiPS-Assessment)



1st Quarter FY24 Training Schedule

<u>Course</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Location</u>
RMI Mishap Investigation	3 Oct / 0730	5	Bldg. 13131
Hearing Protection	4 Oct / 0800	20	Bldg 16142 Classroom 2
Ergonomics	4 Oct / 1000	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	5 Oct / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Fall Protection User	10 Oct / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
RMI Mishap Investigation	11 Oct / 0730	5	Bldg. 13131
Respiratory Protection	11 Oct / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 1
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	12 Oct / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Ergonomics	16 Oct / 1000	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Fall Protection User	17 Oct / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
RMI Mishap Investigation	17 Oct / 0730	5	Bldg. 13131
Confined Space Entry	18 Oct / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 1
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	19 Oct / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Ground Safety for Marines	23 Oct - 3 Nov / 0730	20	Bldg. 13131
RMI Mishap Training	24 Oct / 0730	5	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	26 Oct / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Attitudinal Dynamics of Driving	27 Oct / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 1
Advanced Riders Crs	1 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Basic Riders Crs	2 - 3 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	2 Nov / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Fall Protection User	6 Nov / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Basic Riders Crs	6 - 7 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Fire Safety / Warden	7 Nov / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
RMI Mishap Investigation	7 Nov / 0730	5	Bldg. 13131
Bloodborne Pathogens	8 Nov / 0830	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Respiratory Protection	8 Nov / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 1
Advanced Riders Crs	8 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Advanced Riders Crs	9 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	9 Nov / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
RMI Mishap Investigation	14 Nov / 0730	5	Bldg. 13131
Confined Space Entry	15 Nov / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 1
Advanced Riders Crs	15 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	16 Nov / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Basic Riders Crs	16 - 17 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs

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All Terrain Vehicle Safety	17 Nov / 0730	8	25 Area (MWSS-372)
Basic Riders Crs	20 - 21 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
RMI Mishap Investigation	21 Nov / 0730	5	Bldg. 13131
Advanced Riders Crs	22 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Advanced Riders Crs	28 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Advanced Riders Crs	29 Nov / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	30 Nov / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Basic Riders Crs	30 Nov - Dec 1 / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Basic Riders Crs	4 - 5 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Collateral Duty Safety Rep Crs	5 - 7 Dec / 0730	20	Bldg 13131
Advanced Riders Crs	6 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	7 Dec / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Basic Riders Crs	7 - 8 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
RMI Mishap Investigation	12 Dec / 0730	5	Bldg. 13131
Fall Protection User	12 Dec / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Respiratory Protection	13 Dec / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 1
Advanced Riders Crs	13 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	14 Dec / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Basic Riders Crs	14 - 15 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Attitudinal Dynamics of Driving	15 Dec / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 1
Basic Riders Crs	18 - 19 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
RMI Mishap Investigation	19 Dec / 0730	5	Bldg. 13131
Confined Space Entry	20 Dec / 0800	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 1
Advanced Riders Crs	20 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Advanced Riders Crs	21 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	21 Dec / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2
Advanced Riders Crs	27 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Advanced Riders Crs	28 Dec / 0730	12	22 Area Motorcycle Crs
Ammo & Explosive Driver Crs	28 Dec / 0730	20	Bldg. 16142 Classroom 2

Important Information

Training schedule can be found at the MCIWEST-MCB Safety website (<https://www.pendleton.marines.mil/Main-Menu/Staff-Agencies/Safety/>). Updates and registration for courses can be made through ESAMS ([Enterprise Safety Applications Management System \(navy.mil\)](https://www.navy.mil)) under My Tools. Please review all course prerequisites, and confirm availability and times as these are subject to change. For additional information and questions please contact MCI-West Safety Training at (760) 763-6410.