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Driver License Office
904 301 Blvd. W.
Bradenton, FL 34205
Monday – Friday, 9 AM - 4:30 PM
taxcollector.com

Driver Improvement Schools (BDI/ADI)

ANY service, including general information, provided by our Driver License Office is subject to \$6.25 at the beginning of the visit. Additional transaction fees may apply.

Not a Manatee County resident? Out-of-County residents can only be served at our Driver License Office, located at 904 301 Blvd W, Bradenton. An appointment is required. Visit taxcollector.com to schedule an appointment. You must select the "Non-Manatee County Resident DL/ID Card Transaction" Service in order to be served. Testing services (e.g. road testing, written exams) are provided for Manatee County residents only.

Basic Driver Improvement School (BDI) - 4 Hours

You must complete a Basic Driver Improvement School (also known as a Traffic Collision Avoidance Course/TCAC) if you want to retain your driver license privileges in the following circumstances.

- checkbox You were a driver in a crash and are found at fault and (1) someone was transported to the hospital, or (2) you had two crashes in a two-year period, which resulted in property damage greater than \$500.
checkbox You were cited for passing a stopped school bus
checkbox You were cited for reckless driving
checkbox You were cited for running a red light

If you receive a ticket for a non-criminal moving violation and you do not hold a commercial driver license, you may elect to attend a Basic Driver Improvement School for the following reasons. (It is entirely optional in the case of a non-criminal moving violation.)

- 1. Insurance rates should not go up and your policy should not be cancelled because of the violation, unless it involved a crash where you were at fault. In some cases, you may be eligible for insurance discounts; however, any discount is solely at the discretion of your insurance company.
2. Points may not be added to your driver license record, adjudication of guilt is withheld, and your safe driver status is maintained, if applicable.

Note: You can choose to attend a driver improvement course once in a 12-month period and no more than five times in a lifetime. Visit https://services.flhsmv.gov/DLCheck/ to see if you are eligible.

Electing to Take Basic Driver Improvement School

Within 30 days from the date you received the traffic citation and prior to attending class, you must:

- checkbox Inform the Clerk of Court in the county where you received the citation that you want to go to traffic school, and
checkbox Pay an election fee to the Clerk of Court in the county where you received the citation.

You may contact the traffic school of your choice to register for the course. However, traffic schools must be approved by the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. Traffic schools are listed in your local telephone directory under "driving instruction" or "traffic schools". And, approved providers are available at flhsmv.gov/ddl/bdis.html.

Note: A full list of your options for satisfying your traffic citation is located on the back of the citation. You are required to choose one of the three options within 30 days of receiving the citation.



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Points

If you choose to pay the civil penalty or are adjudicated guilty by a judge, your driver record will be assessed as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Violation type and Points. Includes categories like Moving Violations, Speeding, Passing stopped school bus, etc.

If you accumulate:

- 12 points in 12 months, your license will be suspended for 30 days
• 18 points within 18 months results in a 3 month suspension
• 24 points within 36 months results in a 12 month suspension

Special Note for 15-17 Year Olds

If you are driving with a Florida Learner License, you must hold it for at least 12 months without a traffic conviction before you may apply for a Florida Class E License.

If you are driving with a Florida Learner License or a Florida Class E License and you receive 6 points (regardless of time period), you are restricted to driving for business purposes only for 12 months or until you reach the age of 18.

Advanced Driver Improvement School (ADI) - 12 Hours

If your driver license was suspended in Florida for points, or as a Habitual Traffic Offender (non-DUI related), or by court order, or you were cited for failure to render aid ("hit and run"), you must complete Advanced Driver Improvement School.

You may contact the traffic school of your choice to register for the course. However, traffic schools must be approved by the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

Visit https://services.flhsmv.gov/DLCheck/ to see if you are eligible.

Additional Questions

Visit flhsmv.gov/ddl/dicfaq.html.

NOTE: The information in this document is believed to be correct and is subject to change and is not warranted. DriverImprovBDIADI – Last Update: 07/09/2018

**** THIS TRANSACTION MAY ONLY BE PROCESSED AT THE DRIVER LICENSE OFFICE ****