



American Association of
Motor Vehicle Administrators

Welcome to Drivers Ed!

The Assessment Team Perspective

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Assessment Team Configuration

- NHTSA selects assessment team members and passes to jurisdiction for approval
- Team members should be national experts in:
 - Program Administration;
 - Education/Training;
 - Instructor Qualification;
 - Parent/Guardian Involvement; and
 - Coordination with Driver Licensing



Assessment Areas

- Individuals to be interviewed should be invited from:
 - MVA Administration
 - MVA Education and Training
 - MVA Driver Education Compliance
 - Trauma/EMS/Health
 - State Highway Safety Office
 - Driver Education Association(s)
 - Highway Safety Advocates



Assessment Areas (cont.)

- Law Enforcement
- Driving Schools – Owners/Public/Private
- Driving Instructor Trainers
- Driving Instructors
- Driving Examiners
- Others as required
- Parents
- Teen Drivers



Sample Assessment Questions

- Are there regulations, policies or procedures for the driver education program?
- Are there professional development requirements for instructors and instructor trainers?
- How is parent involvement encouraged in the driver education program? Has this involvement been measured or evaluated?
- Is there a standardized driver education curriculum?
- Is there a formal system of communication between the entities that deliver driver education and the licensing agency?



Assessment Process

- Identify assessment Team Leader
- Develop sample interview questions
- Days 1 - 2
 - Conduct interviews
 - 45 to 60 minutes per session
 - 3 or less participants per session
 - Short break after each session
 - Team members write individual report sections and develop draft recommendations



Assessment Process (cont.)

- Day 3
 - Assessment team reviews and agrees upon all report sections and recommendations and creates final report
 - Assessment team identifies priority recommendations for jurisdictional report-out
- Day 4
 - Assessment team briefs jurisdiction administration and explains rationale for priority recommendations



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Questions?