

Title of Research Study: Motorcycle Training and Licensing Study

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Why am I being asked to take part in this research study?

You were selected as a possible participant in this research study because you do not yet have a Class M motorcycle endorsement, and you are enrolled in a Basic or Intermediate Rider Course to get a Class M endorsement. You must be 18 years of age or older to participate.

Why is this research being done?

We are trying to learn more about why motorcycle riders decide to take motorcycle training and get a Class M license OR decide to ride without training and a license.

How long will the research last?

This study includes two online surveys. The first survey will take about 30 minutes to complete. The second survey will take about 20 minutes to complete.

What happens if I say “Yes, I want to be in this research”?

If you decide to participate, you will complete the first online survey BEFORE starting the Basic or Intermediate Rider Course. This survey will ask about your riding history, your reasons for deciding to take the course, your experience finding a course near you, and what you expect from the course.

AFTER taking the course, you will be asked to upload a copy of your course completion certificate or another document such as a receipt that shows you enrolled in the course.

Finally, you will complete the second online survey. The second survey will ask you about the course you attended, including what you liked and did not like about it. The survey will also ask for your ideas about making other riders aware of motorcycle training and licensing requirements in Texas. You must attend the course and complete the two surveys by July 31, 2024.

What happens if I do not want to be in this research?

Your participation in this study is voluntary. You can decide not to participate in this research and it will not be held against you. You can leave the study at any time.

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Is there any way being in this study could harm me?

There are no sensitive questions in this survey that should cause discomfort. However, you can skip any question you do not wish to answer or exit the study at any point.

What happens to the information collected for the research?

The online surveys are hosted by Qualtrics. You may view the survey host's confidentiality policy at <https://www.qualtrics.com/support/survey-platform/getting-started/data-protection-privacy/>.

Your name, email address, and uploaded course certificate will be stored separately from your survey data and is only being collected to confirm your attendance of a Basic or Intermediate Rider Course and to process your payment for participating in the study. All identifiable information will be kept on a password protected computer and is only accessible by the research team. Compliance offices at Texas A&M may be given access to the study files upon request.

Your information will be kept confidential to the extent allowed by law. The results of the research study may be published but your identity will remain confidential.

Will information gathered during this research be used for future studies?

Information from this study could be used for future research studies or shared for future research studies. However, no identifier information will be shared.

What else do I need to know?

If you agree to take part in this research study, you will be compensated with Amazon electronic gift cards for completing the three study activities as follows:

- A \$15 Amazon gift card for participating riders for completing Survey 1 before attending a Basic or Intermediate Rider Course
- A \$25 Amazon gift card for (a) uploading a Basic or Intermediate Rider Course completion certificate, or other document showing the rider's attendance at the course AND (b) completing Survey 2 after attending the Basic or Intermediate Rider Course

You can only be paid for activities you complete by July 31, 2024.

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Who can I talk to?

Please feel free to ask questions regarding this study. You may contact Cody Stewart at 979-317-2506 or c-stewart@tti.tamu.edu

You may also contact the Human Research Protection Program at Texas A&M University (which is a group of people who review the research to protect your rights) by phone at 1-979-458-4067, toll free at 1-855-795-8636, or by email at irb@tamu.edu for:

- additional help with any questions about the research
- voicing concerns or complaints about the research
- obtaining answers to questions about your rights as a research participant
- concerns in the event the research staff could not be reached
- the desire to talk to someone other than the research staff