Mature Driver Improvement Course

Under Pennsylvania law, you are entitled to at least a 5% discount on your vehicle insurance if you are 55 or older and successfully complete a PennDOT-approved Basic Mature Driver Improvement Course. In order to maintain the discount, a Refresher Mature Driver Improvement course needs to be successfully completed every three years. Please check with your insurance carrier for the specifics of their program.

There are ten organizations that offer approved courses, all addressing the specific safety needs of mature drivers by helping you understand how aging affects driving abilities and providing insight about driving on today's roadways. There are no written or practical driving tests. The course fees are moderate but vary with each organization.

Mature Driver Safety Tips

- Vision is one of the primary senses used in driving and can be one of the first to deteriorate as we age. Have regular eye and medical exams to maintain your driving ability. Both near and distance vision is needed to drive safely.
- Aging eyes become more sensitive to bright light and glare.
- Limit nighttime driving and try to avoid looking directly into headlights of approaching vehicles.
- Avoid stressful driving situations such as rush hour travel, left turns, driving at night or driving in bad weather. Plan trips for daytime hours after 9:00 AM and before 5:00 PM to avoid rush hour traffic.
- Plan ahead. Know your route and try to stay on familiar roads.
- Know your medications. Some prescription medications and over-the-counter medications can make you drowsy and affect your driving.
- Make sure your driver's seat and mirrors are properly adjusted prior to beginning a trip.
- Watch for parked vehicles, pedestrians, children, and animals in your side vision.
- Avoid distractions while driving, such as eating or cell phone use.

For classes near you, please contact:

AAA

Contact your local AAA office for availability www.aaa.com

AARP

1-888-227-7669 www.aarp.org

ADEPT Driver

1-855-839-9090 www.lifelongdriver.com/pamaturedriver

A+ DriveSafe Online

877-265-2170

www.drivesafeonline.org/driving courses/ pennsylvania/insurance-discount/mature-driving

Defensive Driving by Improv

1-800-660-8908

www.myimprov.com/defensive-driving/pennsylvania

Safety Serve a Partner of the National Safety Council

1-800-775-1484

www3.safetyserve.com/courses/defensive-driving/pa-seniors/

Road Review

1-800-559-2580

www.roadreview.com

Safe 2 Drive

(offers online course only) 1-800-763-1297

support@safe2drive.com

https://prddmv.pwpca.pa.gov/Driver-Services/Mature-Drivers/Pages/Mature-Driver-Improvement-Course.aspx

Senior Driving Discount of America

1-888-541-5576

www.seniordrivingdiscount.com/state/pa

Seniors for Safe Driving

1-800-559-4880

www.seniorsforsafedriving.com

