

Driver & Vehicle Services



workforce & technology center

Shaping Careers and Futures in Maryland

DRIVER EDUCATION TRACKS

- **Driver Ed Track 1 is designed for DORS consumers with Autism.**
- **Driver Ed Track 2 is designed for all other DORS consumers.**
(Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing consumers will be provided with interpreting services).

DORS WTC Driver Education:

- Uses the same 30-hour MVA-approved Driver Education Curriculum that commercial driving schools use.
- Includes six-hour Behind-the-Wheel training, which occurs after successful completion of the 30-hour class.
- Provides two to three more class sessions than commercial driving schools. These additional sessions allow the instructor and students more time to present and understand the material, and repeat quizzes and tests as necessary.
- Students can attend the 30-hour class with or without a Learner's Permit; however, a Learner's Permit is needed in order to complete the six-hour Behind-the-Wheel training.

Driver Education class is offered in person, at DORS WTC, and/or virtually.



DRIVING ASSESSMENT

- WTC certified driving instructors and occupational therapists evaluate job seekers with disabilities to determine their ability to drive motor vehicles.

ADAPTED DRIVING

- WTC staff determine what adaptive equipment will be needed to get a driver's license and then provide training on how to use the adaptive equipment.

VEHICLE SERVICES

- WTC state-licensed evaluators determine what adaptive equipment and other modifications a vehicle needs to allow individuals with disabilities to enter, exit and safely operate it.
- Modifications are for vehicles owned (not leased) by the DORS consumer or their family.

Contact your DORS Counselor or local DORS office for more information.

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