BikeSense Rider Development Syllabus

Aim

To reduce the number of motorcycle casualties on Staffordshire's and Britain's roads by providing training to enable motorcyclists to improve their riding skills, competence, and road safety awareness.

Objectives

- To provide an assessment of a motorcyclists riding ability and the provision of appropriate remedial and developmental training.
- To provide specific instruction to cover areas such as hazard perception, reading the road, road handling, braking, positioning, overtaking and defensive riding.
- The training will have a bias towards riding on rural A-roads, this being where most collisions in which motorcyclists are killed or seriously injured occur.
- The training will cover a range of riding environments but tailored to the rider's individual needs.

Description

The one-day course designed for holders of a full motorcycle licence.

On-road training will be provided at a ratio of no more than one instructor to two riders. The course will be undertaken on the participants own machine, unless prior arrangements are made. The course is run from 0930am to 1600pm on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer. The on-road instruction element will be between the hours of 1000am and 1530pm as a minimum, allowing for a 45-minute lunch break. One to one instruction is available midweek, based on the same timings.

Instructors

All instructors will be qualified as follows:

- Approved DSA trainer.
- Ex-Police Motorcycle Rider
- Advanced Trainer (IAM Examiner, but not IAM Observer)

Venue

Meeting venues in Staffordshire as follows:

- Burton Fire Station
- Cannock Fire Station
- Sandyford Fire Station, Stoke

One to one instruction meeting places will be agreed.

Syllabus

0930 -1000

Welcome

Course introduction

Eyesight and document check

Allocation of clients to trainers

Discussion with clients referring to their 'Rider Profile'

Demonstrate POWDER check

1000-1100

2 x 20 mins assessed rides

20 min debrief

1100- 1300 approx.

4 x 30 mins development rides to correct issues

1300-1345 approx

Lunch with debrief

1345 -1545 approx

4 x 30 mins development rides

1545-1600

Final debrief and summary

All times are approximate and are subject to variation depending on route, road conditions and other safety factors.

Monitoring of syllabus:

The syllabus and the quality of service provided by the trainer shall be monitored using the client feedback questionnaires.