

Written Instruction Permit Exam Information

(If student is not yet 15 years old, post at home/keep for future reference.)

IMPORTANT: Four steps for the STUDENT and PARENT/GUARDIAN to follow:

Step 1: The following 7 items are needed to take the **Written Instruction Permit**:

1. **Blue Card.** Will be given to students who are 15 years old by the last day of class. For students who are 14 years old, the Blue card can be picked up at the Community Education office, 301 NE 2nd Ave Buffalo, M-F, 8 am-4 pm. It can be given to the student on or after their fifteenth birthday. **The student must be present to sign.**
2. **Completed, notarize application** (including social security number) or presence of parent/guardian.
3. **\$13.25 state instruction permit fee**, payable to DVS. Credit and debit cards are **not** accepted.
4. **Eye wear** - glasses and/or contact lenses (if worn) for the vision test.
5. **Current High School ID photo card** or original *signed* social security card.
6. **Original certified (EMBOSSSED) birth certificate** (or an unexpired passport).
Not acceptable : photocopy of a certified copy, church baptismal or hospital birth certificates.
7. Photocopies of items 5 and 6 above (or opt for the DPS to copy for you at a charge of 25¢ per page).
NOTE: ALL NAMES (first-middle-last) on items 5 and 6 **MUST MATCH** (BE IDENTICAL).

Step 2: Bring the items above to the Buffalo or Plymouth exam station to take the Written Instruction Exam.

Step 3: After the student passes the Written Instruction Exam, go to the Wright County Government Center to get photo taken and pay the permit fee.

Step 4: Go to the Community Education office to be assigned a Behind-the Wheel (BTW) instructor. **Bring your yellow permit and payment receipt** from the Gov't Center. The student's first hour of BTW instruction **MUST** be scheduled within 30 days of passing the Written Instruction Exam or the student's 15th birthday.

Testing days/times/phone numbers for the **Written Instruction Permit** (No appointment necessary):

Review a pre-test at this website: www.quia.com/de/mnmain.html

Buffalo (*Hand written only*)

15 – 1st Avenue South (Across from Downtown Commons in the Lakeview Mall)

Tuesdays and Wednesdays ONLY (No appointment necessary when taking this test.)

8:30 - 11:15 am or 1:00 - 3:45 pm (**Must be in-person at the exam station during these times!**)

Plymouth (*Computer with earphones*)

2455 Fernbrook Lane (1 block before Interstate 494 and 4 blocks south of Highway 55)

Mondays through Fridays (No appointment necessary when taking this test.)

8:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. (**Must be in-person at the exam station during these times!**)

Reminder: The student's first hour of BTW instruction **MUST** be scheduled within 30 days of passing the Written Instruction Exam or the student's 15th birthday (BHS program policy) as discussed by your classroom instructor and at the mandatory parent meeting. Your Instruction Permit must be *validated* (stamped) at the DVS before a BTW instructor can be assigned.