

Basic Driver Improvement Courses (BDIC)

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Basic Driver Improvement Courses are courses provided by test vendors approved by the State of Michigan. Passing a BDIC permits good drivers an opportunity to avoid points on their driving record and the violation being disclosed to insurance companies. The driver must be eligible to take the course and may avoid points only once under the program.

BDIC Criteria

- Driver must have a valid, non-commercial license
- Driver must have two or fewer points on their driving record
- The violation may not have occurred in a commercial motor vehicle
- The violation must not be a criminal offense (only civil infractions are eligible)
- The violation must be for three or fewer points, with exception of:
 - Careless driving 257.626b
 - Speeding in construction zone 257.627(9)
 - Speeding in a school zone 257.627a
 - Speeding in a school bus 257.627A
 - Failed to stop for school bus 257.682
- There must have been only one moving violation arising from the same incident.

If eligible for BDIC, the violation will not be disclosed to insurance companies and posting of the assessed points will be postponed for at least 60 days from date of the notice of eligibility.

Test vendors may establish their own course fees, up to a max of \$100.

BDIC curriculum must meet or exceed the standards in the Defensive Driving Course Instructor Manual, Eighth Edition, published by the National Safety Council and provide documented evidence of course effectiveness in reducing collisions, moving violations or both. Instruction may be available in the classroom, online or both.

If an individual passes the course the points will not be added to the driving record and the violation will not be disclosed to insurance companies. However, the violation may be used for other departmental purposes.

If an individual fails the course the violation and points will be made available to insurance companies.

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