So You Think You Can Ride?

Other Safety Course Locations in Florida

Did you know that proper training and education will expose you to critical skills needed to enjoy a safe and exciting ride? If you are looking for more than just the Basic RiderCourse (BRC) Ride Smart Florida recommends additional rider training for anyone looking to improve their skills. Athletes do it. Tennis players do it. Golfers do it too! No matter what the sport, a good way to improve your skills is to get additional training.

Experienced and advanced courses are available at many locations around the state. The Florida Rider Training Program (FRTP) has a detailed listing of all classes and providers listed by county. Find an Advanced RiderCourse class near you!

For more information visit:
https://goo.gl/a7MYIN

Get More Mileage Out of Life.
Get Trained!

It doesn't matter if you are a beginning rider, or an avid rider with lots of experience, everyone's skills can use some improvement.

You can get extra skills practice from a variety of sources. We have combined our top training options for beginners and advanced riders who simply want to be the best riders they can be.

Take a little time to improve your skills and master your riding techniques. Included in this guide are three different training options in the state of Florida that offer skills training and practice to make your riding more fun, enjoyable and accomplished!

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S.M.A.R.T. Motorcycle Safety Course

**Goal:** To help students demonstrate safe motorcycle riding techniques by negotiating commonly found street riding situations in a controlled and skilled manner.

**Course contents:** S.M.A.R.T. training is conducted on a closed course and is instructed by highly trained law enforcement motor officers using the very same techniques that place them in the top 5% of all riders. This training includes proper use of head and eyes during turning, dipping the bike in order to facilitate transitioning, leaning the bike to make tighter turns, and clutch control along with the throttle, and brake.

**Requirements:** Students must possess a valid motorcycle license or endorsement and proof of insurance. Riders must also provide their own street-legal and safe motorcycle and proper gear which includes: Sturdy over-the-ankle footwear, long pants, long sleeve shirt or lightweight jacket, helmet, eye protection and full-fingered gloves. No passengers are permitted in this class.

**Time:** One-day course 7 am to 2 pm | Saturdays
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(Day subject to change, check website for up-to-date schedule.)

**Locations:**
- **(Gainesville)** Kirkpatrick Criminal Justice Training Center
  3737 NE 39th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32609
  https://goo.gl/jfQrFL
  Sgt. Summer Kerkaun at: kercauns@cityofgainesville.org or by phone 352.393.7741

- **(Osceola)** Technical Education Center Osceola (TECO)
  501 Simpson Rd Kissimmee, FL 34744
  https://goo.gl/B5qt86
  Dan Abrahamson at: Dabr@Osceola.org or by phone 407.709.1354

- **(Tallahassee)** S.M.A.R.T. Training
  329 Pennell Circle, Tallahassee FL, 32306
  Ofc Mike Rodes ret. by phone 850.570.2358
  https://goo.gl/DkZxNu
  Ofc Mike Rodes ret. by phone 850.570.235

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Track Day

**Goal:** Track Day is designed to get riders who push the limits of their skills and machines on the public roadways off the road and onto the controlled environment of a track. It’s a great place to learn basic and advanced riding techniques.

**Course contents:** Track day training is intended to increase the technical skills necessary for safe operation on the street, as well as to inspire confidence and respect in riders. The course covers body positioning, braking, risk avoidance and throttle control.

**Requirements:** You must own and use your own motorcycle, be a Florida resident, and have never attended a track day event before to have FSU/DOT cover approximately $100.00 of the entry fee for the one day. Please see http://tracklife308.com/newrider.html for more detailed information.

**Time:** One-day course 7 am to 6 pm

**Locations:**
1. Homestead Miami Speedway
2. Jennings GP
3. Palm Beach International Raceway

For more information visit:
https://goo.gl/ffFXxj

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I am very, very happy with the results, and I will see you guys on the next TRACK-DAY."

- Vitor