

Article X.A.3. Driver Training – Change in Policy Statement for Issuing Instruction Permits

A. Statement of Purpose

The law establishes the age of 16 for students who have successfully completed driver education to be issued a Utah Operator's License. It is the policy of the State Board of Education that only students who are 15 years 9 months of age or older may be issued an Instruction Permit which grants permission to receive behind-the-wheel instruction.

With the introduction of semester programs utilizing multiple-car driving ranges and driving simulators, problems in scheduling and programming students within the semester have developed.

To alleviate these problems, the aforementioned policy was modified. School districts involved with the three and/or four phase education programs (ranges and/or simulation) on a semester basis only, may submit at the beginning of the semester program the students enrolled, provided said students will have reached the age of 16 years by the completion of his/her driver education program.