

## Booking Policy

Payment must be made in advance to confirm your attendance. Failure to attend a booked course is just like any concert, your seat is still consumed in your absence. Therefore under no circumstances will a refund or rebooking be available for non-attendance unless cancellation is received more than 2 days in advance.

## Logbook Hours

Amazingly, Queensland Transport does not recognize attendance at any defensive/advanced driving courses as counting towards the 100 hours of logbook experience required by L-plate drivers. Therefore the hours of essential driving theory and practical skills training undertaken at this course cannot be credited towards your logbook hours. Participants at this course will be asked to sign a petition to change this decision.

## Do we use skid-frames or skid pans in the SafeDrive Test Drive Program?

No, we do not use skid frames as they provide artificial simulation of how a car behaves when skidding. Instead (at venues where it is possible) we use Skid Tyres to conduct demonstrations on what can happen when a car skids. More extensive skid training is available in our Advanced Car Control course but participants must be over 21 or have completed the Safe Drive Test Drive course. Best practice training for novice drivers is for skill failure experiences that provide an insight into their own capabilities and a vehicles limitations

## Certificate and special offers:

Following your attendance you will be sent a package containing your certificate of course attendance, road safety information, our safe driver's pledge, plus offers and discounts from our sponsors as a reward for becoming a safer driver

## Safe Drive Guarantee:

We are so confident that our driver training course will make better drivers, we GUARANTEE IT.

Any participant completing the SAFE DRIVE TEST DRIVE course that has an AT FAULT accident within 12 MONTHS OR 20,000 km of the course date will be able to re-attend the SAFE DRIVE TEST DRIVE course AT NO EXTRA CHARGE

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Check out our new Safe Drive Training website for additional information on all of our courses, company history, instructor profiles and for the many testimonials from parents, teachers and novice drivers who believe this course should be compulsory. Our website also contains the on-line Safe Drive Information Directory where there are hundreds of pages of free safe driving tips and information.

## Find us on YouTube™:

Videos of our courses are available on the SDT Channel of YouTube™, check out [www.youtube.com/user/sdtaustralia](http://www.youtube.com/user/sdtaustralia)

## EMPLOYERS VALUE SAFE DRIVERS

Attendance by students in a SAFE DRIVE TRAINING course can assist in making them job ready. All participants in our courses will receive a quality Certificate of Course Completion for display in their student portfolio. Many of Australia's largest companies now require staff to undertake Defensive Driving Courses as part of their employment. As such this certificate may be beneficial to participants when applying for a job position especially if driving is involved.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- This program received a Highly Commended in the 2001 Qld Road Safety Awards
- Safe Drive Training staff have given free lectures to over 30,000 school students
- Our Safe Driving Video (and DVD) is used by 1250 High Schools throughout Australia and New Zealand. A modified version of our video is also used by the NRMA as part of their Safer Drivers Program.
- In 1999, Safe Drive Training sent a free copy of our Safe Driving educational Handbook to every High School and Driving School in Australia and New Zealand.

- Safe Drive Training has conducted driver training programs in the following countries: Bangladesh, China, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Russia, Malaysia, Vietnam, Thailand, Singapore, Japan, Philippines and Papua New Guinea.



## CHIEF INSTRUCTORS MESSAGE

*"It is my belief that the more you know about driving the slower you'll go. This course aims to further enhance a driver's skills and knowledge about the complexity of driving and the risks associated. Enjoy the educational experience."* Joel Nelsen, Managing Director, Safe Drive Training (Aust) Pty Ltd

## OTHER TRAINING PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

### Driver Safety Programs

Advanced Car Control

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Driver training alone is not the answer to the road toll, however it continues to be overlooked as a part of the solution. After all how can we expect people to drive safely when they have not been shown how or why.

Despite the overwhelming ground-swell of public support for Defensive Driving Programs, the road safety club that exists in this country continues to oppose such moves. Their solution is more speed enforcement, more rules and more confronting TV commercials. Safe Drive Training has been in the industry long enough to see the detractors leave the transport department or motoring organisation they worked for and begin offering the very same driver training courses they rejected in their previous position.

It is true that international research has proven that "High Performance" driving skills programs can (in some participants) result in drivers who are more confident and more likely to take risks and drive to their higher perceived skill level. Often these drivers encounter more hazardous situations and therefore can have more crashes. Novice and immature drivers should not attend these programs. However high performance courses remain a valuable outlet for driving enthusiasts to build their skills, test their car and enjoy the art of driving.

In life, people "exploratory learn", they experiment and test their environment to learn its limits and consequences. Telling novice drivers don't...won't stop them naturally wanting to discover why they can't go faster and harder. This is a natural human trait. Tragically too many young Australians are killed at the moment they learn and experience these limits.

The SAFE DRIVE TEST DRIVE™ program has been carefully developed over 15 years to give novice drivers the essential theory overlooked in the licencing process. Using dedicated driver training facilities novice drivers can gain an insight into the limits of their skill. Although the driving techniques learnt won't last for long, the experiences of feeling their limits through emergency braking, a lockup, a skid and a slide will stay with participants for life. Safe Drive Training's research proves a course crafted like this can deflate confidence by proving to novice drivers there is more to driving than what the right foot does. We call it "breaking the video game mentality".

For more information on Safe Drive Training research visit [www.sdt.com.au](http://www.sdt.com.au)

## EVERY PARENT'S GREATEST FEAR

Worldwide road crashes kill 1.2 million people per year (3242 per day) and injure or disable up to 50 million people annually, with young drivers being over-represented in these crash statistics.

Therefore if there is one certainty in life, it is that young drivers are accidents waiting to happen.

As part of our commitment to improve the driver education of young novice drivers, Safe Drive Training commenced High School based driver education programs in South-east Queensland schools in 1996 (the program was originally known as the Quest Safe Drive 2000). Since then our experience in training over 37,500 novice drivers has unlocked the secrets, to reduce the risks for young drivers.

The SAFE DRIVE TEST DRIVE: Young Driver Safety Program is a special one-day driver awareness course aimed particularly at young and novice drivers. It is like a Defensive Driving Course but offers participants the following unique advantages:

1. A fleet of specially modified vehicles is provided to allow participants to test drive a range of vehicles to understand their characteristics
2. Fatal Vision Alcohol and Drug Impairment Simulation Goggles are used for participants to experience in safety the impairment of alcohol and drugs on driving performance (we are the Australian distributors for these goggles)
3. Unlike other driver training programs this course is based on best-practice methodology to reduce over-confidence and risk taking in participants by showing them the limits of their ability and the limits of a vehicle.
4. Where possible, unique SKID TYRES are used to demonstrate the consequences of risk taking and reckless driving

## F.A.Q.

### What will I learn?

The full day course involves a mixture of PowerPoint lectures, video presentations, demonstrations and numerous in-car driving experiences to enhance your active driving skills and road safety awareness (all based on Safe Drive Training's extensive research into road crashes and driver behaviour).

#### The course covers:

CONTRIBUTING FACTORS IN CRASHES (THE REAL FATAL 4), VEHICLE MAINTENANCE, TYRE SELECTION AND CARE, REACTIVE CAR CONTROL SKILLS, DRIVER ATTITUDE AND BEHAVIOUR, WET WEATHER DRIVING, RISK TAKING & PEER INFLUENCES, VEHICLE STOPPING DISTANCES, LOW RISK/SAFE DRIVING TECHNIQUES, ROAD LAW AND DEALING WITH HAZARDS, SKID PREVENTION AND RECOVERY, VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY (ABS, SRS, ESP), PROACTIVE DRIVING

At the end of the day, you will be surprised how little your driver's licence taught you and what years of experience have failed to show you.

### What is the REAL FATAL 4?

Safe Drive Training developed the Real Fatal 4 Factors in Novice Driver Crashes in 1999. It is our belief these 4 factors are the underlying reason why so many novice drivers are killed on Australian roads.

1. OVERCONFIDENCE
2. RISK-TAKING
3. INEXPERIENCE
4. PEER INFLUENCE

### Who can attend?

The course is open to all drivers of any age. Many parents attend with their teenager and benefit from the experience. However the majority of participants are under 25. Safe Drive Training requires all participants to have had a minimum of 5 hours of driving experience. This is not a learn-to-drive course. Please do not attend if you cannot drive, steer or brake.

### Why attend the course?

Novice drivers already think they are experts and that a crash won't happen to them, but this course can reduce the risks, the embarrassment, injury and enormous costs of having a crash. The course is also heaps of fun and a great experience.

### But I am already a good driver!

Are you sure? Most people regard themselves as an above average driver. Good drivers are not born they are made. Our course will show you things you will not otherwise discover about driving safely. We guarantee that even the most experienced driver will learn a lot from this course.

WE MAKE GOOD DRIVERS OUT OF THOSE THAT ALREADY THINK THEY ARE!

### What is the cost?

Prices range from \$143.00 - \$220.00 per person depending on the venue and whether attending in a school group or privately. For exact pricing, see the enrolment form or our website.

### Why is the course so inexpensive?

Since Safe Drive Training is the largest supplier of novice driver education in Australia we can offer low attendance fees compared to our competitors who run only occasional courses and despite using the same venues as us, charge \$250 - \$350 per person which does not include the supply of training cars.

### When are courses held?

Each course commences at 8:30 am and concludes before 4:00 pm.

In Brisbane and Sydney courses are held on most weekends and some weekdays throughout the year. In most regional locations courses are held every few months. School groups prebook attendance dates, often towards the end of the year (July - November).

Our website has a calendar of upcoming course dates

### How do I get to the venue?

Bus transport is supplied (at no extra charge) for school group bookings in South-east Queensland, Sydney, Canberra and many regional areas. Private individuals must make their own transport arrangements. (A map and attendance details will be sent to you)

### Can I use my own car?

No, because you won't always drive your current vehicle. The Safe Drive Test Drive program will allow you to test drive yourself whilst test driving a range of specially modified vehicles.

These cars are deliberately set-up for you to experience the limits and characteristics of:

New vs. Old cars, Manual vs. Automatic, Standard vs. Performance tyres  
Front vs. Rear wheel drive, Standard vs. Enhanced Suspension

Our website shows the vehicles in our training fleet. If you want to use your own car you can do so at our Advanced Car Control course.

### How do I enrol?

You can download Enrolment Forms from our website. Private participants should return the enrolment form and full payment to Safe Drive Training. Please note the date you wish to attend the course on.

Students from participating schools should return the enrolment form and full payment to the course coordinator at your school (unless instructed otherwise).

### Where are the courses conducted?

#### BRISBANE VENUES:

- Qld Advanced Driver Education Centre, Willowbank
- Mt. Cotton Training Centre, Cornubia (near Loganholme)

#### SOUTHERN SYDNEY/WOLLONGONG/CANBERRA REGION:

Marulan Driver Training Centre

This new venue is ideally located south-west of Sydney to service the southern Sydney suburbs and the regions of Canberra, Goulburn, Wollongong, Mittagong, Kiama and Nowra. The venue features a challenging driver training circuit and wet skidpan.

#### REGIONAL QLD AND NSW LOCATIONS:

CAIRNS REGION: Mako Trac (Mareeba) or Springsure Dragstrip (when open)

TOWNSVILLE REGION: Dairy Farmers (Cowboys) Stadium or Reid Park V8 Track

PROSERPINE: Whitsunday Driver Training Centre (when open)

MACKAY: Palmyra Dragstrip

GLADSTONE REGION: Benaraby Motorsport Complex

ROMA: Ironbark Raceway

GRAFTON: Grafton Hillclimb Track

ARMIDALE: Armidale Traffic Education Centre

COFFS HARBOUR: BCU Stadium

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