

DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROCESS

Missouri Revised Statute 302.302, paragraph 5 gives provisions for the Missouri Driver Improvement Program (D.I.P.)

Some Basic Guidelines

- You must have a conviction date before you can enroll and take an approved D.I.P.
 class.
- 2. You have 60 days from that conviction date to complete the course.
- 3. You cannot participate in D.I.P. more than once in a 36 month period of time.
- 4 You cannot participate in D.I.P. if you posses a Commercial Driver License (CDL).
- 5. The course taken must be on the approved list from the following website: http://mosafetycenter.com/grants/driver-improvement-program/
- 6. If ticket is received while operating a motorcycle the Basic Rider Course is required in lieu of an approved D.I.P. course.
- 7. Once course is complete the MO Form 4444 must get to Department of Revenue (DOR) within 15 days.
- 8. D.I.P. does not apply to out-of-state licensed drivers receiving a Missouri ticket or Missouri licensed drivers receiving a ticket in another state.
- 9. This program WILL NOT remove the ticket from the drivers record, only the points from the license.

If you are charged with a moving violation you must appear in court and request the courts permission to attend an approved Driver Improvement Program (DIP) course. The court has the authority to allow you to attend DIP to avoid point assessment. However, this decision is made by the court on a case by case basis and there is no guarantee that the court will allow you to attend DIP to avoid points on your driver's license. (See flowchart to the right)

Driver Receives Driver Appears Ticket In Court **Judge Approves Driver Asks Judge Driver Pleads** For D.I.P. Approval D.I.P. Participation Guilty **Driver Takes Driver Received Driver Takes State** MO Form 4444 MO Form 4444 **Approved Course Back to Court Clerk** From Course for Signature Provider **Driver Mails** MO Form 4444 to D.O.R. for **Point Removal**

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