

Accelerated Driver's License Program Manual

Purpose

This manual serves as a guide for participants and coordinators of the Accelerated Driver's License Program, outlining the steps, expectations, and resources necessary for successful completion

4-Week Schedule Overview

Week 1: Orientation and Classes

- **Orientation:** On the first day, SDDA staff will provide an overview of the program, assist with registration, and help participants log into the course platform.
- Classes: Three mandatory 2-hour sessions held over three days. Participants must commit to attending all three days to complete the full 6-hour online driver's education requirement.
- Program Expectation: Participants must complete the entire 6-hour course along with the two required tests—the End-of-Course (EOC) Exam and the DPS Permit Test—by the end of Week 1 to continue in the program.

Week 2: DPS Visit and ITAD Video

- **Permit Pickup:** Scheduled for Fridays at 9 AM. Participants will visit the North Garland DPS location for this appointment.
- ITAD Video: Participants must watch and complete the one-hour Impact Texas Adult Drivers (ITAD) video by the end of Week 2. They are required to bring the printed certificate of completion to their Week 3 road test appointment at Pioneer Drivers Education School.

Week 3: Road Test Preparation

• Scheduling: Road test appointments are scheduled during Week 3 based on availability

at Pioneer Drivers Education School. There will be specific days and times blocked for group sign-ups.

- Appointment Policy: Road test appointments are fixed and nonnegotiable. Participants
 must provide at least 24 hours' notice if they need to cancel or reschedule.
- Securing Appointments: Available time slots are shared with participants, but it is their
 responsibility to log into their Pioneer Drivers Education School account, update their
 permit information, and select "Road Test Preparation" to secure a time slot. We do not
 control availability and cannot guarantee appointment times if students do not sign up
 promptly.

Week 4: Final DPS Visit

• **Driver's License Pickup:** Scheduled for the final Friday of the program at 9 AM at the North Garland DPS. Participants will return to the DPS to pick up their driver's licenses.

Program Requirements

- Complete the Accelerated Driver's License Program application on our website: sddrivingacademy.org
- Have at least 30 hours of driving experience
- Provide the following documents:
 - Two proofs of residency (dated within the last 90 days)
 - Original birth certificate
 - Social security card
- Commit to full participation: Attendance is required for all scheduled classes, DPS visits, and road test appointments

Program Expectations

Class Completion:

 Participants must fully complete the required 6 hours of online driver's education, including the End-of-Course (EOC) Exam and DPS Permit Test, by the end of Week 1 to continue in the program.

Road Test Preparation & Scheduling:

 Participants are responsible for updating their permit information in their Pioneer Drivers Education School account and securing a Road Test Preparation appointment during Week 3. Appointments are limited, fixed, and nonnegotiable. A \$100 fee applies for missed appointments without proper notice.

Transportation:

 Transportation to all site visits—including DPS and Pioneer Drivers Education School—is provided by our partner organization. Punctuality is essential.

Communication:

• Timely and clear communication is vital to keep the program on track and to address any issues that arise promptly.

Outstanding City of Dallas Tickets:

For participants with outstanding City of Dallas tickets that may be preventing them from obtaining their driver's license, we provide legal advocacy through a partnership with a local municipal court. Tickets may be eligible for dismissal or reduction through community service or other court-approved options. Participants must provide their full name, date of birth, and current address to be considered for this support. All outstanding City of Dallas tickets must be addressed and resolved prior to participation in the program.

Additional Information

Impact Texas Adult Drivers (ITAD) Video

Link: https://www.dps.texas.gov/section/driver-license/impact-texas-drivers-itd-program

Requirement:

All participants must watch the one-hour ITAD video and bring a printed certificate of completion to their road test appointment during Week 3 at Pioneer Drivers Education School.

Please register and select "Impact Texas Adult Drivers (ITAD)" before starting the video.

North Garland Mega Center DPS

• Address: 5250 N President George Bush Hwy, Garland, TX 75040.

Required Documents & Items for DPS Visits

- Original birth certificate
- Social security card
- Two printed proofs of residency (dated within the last 90 days; must be physical copies such as a piece of mail, utility bill, paycheck stub, or bank statement—no screenshots or digital copies)
- Printed 6-hour permit course completion certificate (bring to Week 2 DPS visit)
- Sealed envelope from Pioneer Drivers Education School (bring to Week 4 DPS visit; must remain sealed—if opened before DPS visit, it will not be accepted and a \$30 reprint fee applies)
- Permit (if applicable)
- Texas State ID (if applicable)
- Prescription glasses (if applicable)

Note: For detailed information about acceptable documents and identification requirements, please see the "What it takes to Apply for a DL or ID Card" brochure provided by the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Pioneer Drivers Education School

- Address: 610 Uptown Blvd, Suite 2000, Cedar Hill, TX 75104
- Arrival: Please arrive early for all scheduled appointments. Pioneer Drivers Education School is a trusted and generous partner of South Dallas Driving Academy. We expect all participants to be punctual, respectful, and appreciative of their support.
- Fee: A \$100 fee applies for missed driving tests without prior notice. To avoid this fee, participants must notify us at least 24 hours in advance if an appointment needs to be canceled or rescheduled. Please also note: Arriving for a scheduled road test without the required documents will also result in a \$100 fee due to lost time.

Required Documents & Items for Pioneer Drivers Education School

- Printed 6-hour permit course completion certificate
- Permit
- ITAD Video completion certificate
- Tennis shoes

Prescription glasses (if needed)

Road Test Preparation with Pioneer Drivers Education School

To sign up for Road Test Preparation during Week 3 of the program:

- 1. Visit: https://www.pioneerdriverseducation.com/
- 2. Sign in to your existing account.
- 3. Select "Road Test Preparation" from the available options.
- 4. Choose a time and day within your assigned week.
- 5. Fill in any required information and update your permit information.
- 6. Attend your scheduled session on time.