

SFCA2816 Safety First Emergency Vehicle Operators Course

Course Description: This course is a 3-step class. The first step (6 hours) will be completed in the classroom which consists of the CEVO (Coaching the Emergency Vehicle Operator) course. The second step (6 hours) will be a hands-on session on a closed driving course. The third and final step is a preceptorship driving period with an experienced preceptor driver (4 hours), totaling a 16-hour program. **This course meets the new State Standards for Emergency Vehicle Operators Course.

Pre-requisite: Must have a valid Florida drivers license.

****64J-1.013 Drivers.**

(1) Each ALS and BLS provider shall ensure that each driver who operates a permitted vehicle meets the qualifications as listed in Section 401.281, F.S. An ALS or BLS provider may consider current Florida EMT or Paramedic certification as the driver having met the oath requirement listed in Section 401.281(b) and (c), F.S.

(2) Each BLS and ALS provider shall document that each driver has completed at least a 16-hour course of instruction on driving an authorized emergency vehicle, as defined by Section 316.003(1), F.S., which includes, at a minimum, classroom and behind-the-wheel training as outlined below:

(a) Didactic.

1. Legal aspects of authorized emergency vehicle operators.
2. Selecting routes and reporting emergency operation.
3. The practice of defensive driving.
4. Accident avoidance.
5. Principles of vehicle control.
6. Routine safety checks of vehicle.

(b) Practical.

1. Braking and control braking.
2. Backing; road position, fender judgment and steering technique.
3. Slalom; steering technique and chassis set.
4. Steering technique during a skid; a skid pad is optional.
5. Turn-around-steering technique; fender judgment, road position, controlled braking, controlled acceleration, understeer, oversteer and chassis set.

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