

STOP Program - DMV Policies for Online STOP Class Proctoring

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Re: DMV Policies for Online STOP Class Proctoring

Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 29-3606 sets forth the requirements for STOP programs. The DMV determined that electronic communication advances justified the use of online STOP classes in a memo of January 19, 2013 (DMV Policies for Web-based STOP, attached.) The requirements of that memo remain in force.

That memo discusses proctoring in # 6, in which proctoring "may be accomplished through an on-line proctoring services or equivalent program." This memo is intended to clarify the "equivalent program" provision.

The first STOP online class was from SCC, which uses rigorous academic standard proctoring. This involves web-cams and one-on-one constant visual observation. It is more than sufficient to satisfy the requirements of the DMV under Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec 29-3706.

The "equivalent program" may be met in a less demanding manner than constant one-on-one observation. To qualify as equivalent, the following requirements must be met:

1. The provider may offer a self proctoring test, in which the student supplies unique identification, such as favorite color, first pet, etc. The student will supply that information at least three times during the course to ensure that the student is the offender needing the program.
2. The online class will give a chapter of information, then test upon it. The student cannot continue through the course until each test is passed.

The DMV will continue to review and approve each online STOP program offering on a case-by-case basis. A provider interested in providing an online STOP class should contact John Baylor at DMV Legal, (402) 471-3870 to arrange a demonstration of the proposed proctoring program. Providers must demonstrate that the online STOP class offered meets all the requirements of 250 NAC 3 and each element of these policy memoranda.