

# Safe driving and ecological driving programmes necessary for increasing competence of drivers

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# WELCOME

TO SAFE DRIVING CENTRE IN VRANSKO  
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# STATISTICS ON AMZS'S SAFE DRIVING CENTRE

- Nine technically advanced sections of track designed to teach safe driving practices,
- office building with six equipped classrooms, garages and a restaurant,
- the Centre covers 150,000 square metres (15 hectares),
- the asphalted surface area of the AMZS Safe Driving Centre exceeds 66,000 square metres, 2.5 km of this are road surfaces and paths,
- artificial lighting over the entire driving course enables us to run courses even at night,
- all nozzles that direct jets of water onto drivable surfaces are heated, therefore training at the Centre is also possible in winter, down to -10°C,
- area surrounding the Centre is protected by a noise-abating fence.



# INTRODUCTION TO THE SAFE DRIVING CENTRE

- Safe driving courses (various types and levels),
- other commercial activities,
- research and development activities in cooperation with our universities,
- AMZS accident prevention events and other activities,
- existing statutorily prescribed courses:
  - additional training for probationary drivers,
  - instructor training,
  - penalty-point removal programme,
  - basic qualification for commercial drivers.







# COMMERCIAL PROGRAMMES

## 1. MOTORCYCLES

The number of motorcyclists is increasing and many are aware that riding a motorcycle requires extra training exercises.

Programmes: basic course, advanced course, individual course, motorcycle season refresher course, TRIAL, safe driving when carrying a pillion passenger course, defensive driving course, young motorcycle and scooter riders' course.





# COMMERCIAL PROGRAMMES

## 2. PERSONAL VEHICLES

Our programmes are carefully designed to include simulations of the circumstances leading to critical situations that can occur in real life driving conditions.

Programmes: basic course, advanced course, individual training.





# COMMERCIAL PROGRAMMES

## 3. TRUCKS AND BUSES

Drivers of commercial vehicles and buses carry a lot of responsibility; therefore their driving needs to be really safe and comfortable.

Programme: basic course, advanced course.





# COMMERCIAL PROGRAMMES

## 4. SPECIALIST VEHICLES

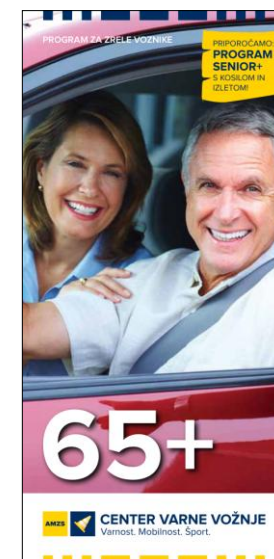
We also run programmes for drivers whose work requires them to have special knowledge and skills. These are drivers of specialist vehicles, such as rescue, firefighter, police, and military vehicles, requiring special driving skills which can not be obtained from simply participating in everyday traffic.



## COMMERCIAL PROGRAMMES

### 5. OTHER PROGRAMMES

Program for club patrolmen, all terrain driving, economical driving, motorhome safe driving, senior citizens, managerial staff, disabled drivers, vintage automobile and motorcycle safe driving, etc.



Safe driving course gift certificate

# COMMERCIAL PROGRAMMES

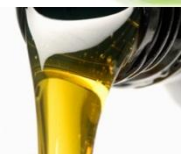
## 6.ECO-DRIVING COURSES

“Economical and eco-driving” - what does it stand for? Saving fuel and ecology?



### Actually it means so much more!

Namely all activities and contributions aimed at increasing the economy, road safety and quality of life are reflected in reduction of variable costs, pollutant emissions and noise as well as improvement in quality of people and cargo transport and increase in safety of defensive driving.



### Goals of eco-driving Courses:

- learning how to drive economically
- understanding potential savings and deficits,
- improve fuel consumption and reduce travel time,
- less stressful journeys,
- proper assessment of driving situations,
- increase in road safety.





# STATUTORY PROGRAMMES

## 1. DRIVER BEGINNER

Every young driver must do this program – it is required by law. Time, when it must be done, is also specified by law – not sooner than 4 months after obtaining a drivers licence and not later than 2 years after obtaining a drivers licence (or latest up to their 21<sup>st</sup> years of age ).

The programme is also determinate by law:

3 hours of psychosocial workshops;

1 hour of theory – discussion with safe driving instructor;

6 hours of practical driving.





# STATUTORY PROGRAMMES

## 2. PENALTY-POINT REMOVAL PROGRAMME

The programme is designed for all those who have already achieved 4 and did not exceed 17 penalty points (18 points means termination of license).

The programme is determinate by law:

- 4 hours of psychosocial workshops;
- 8 hour of theory – discussion with safe driving instructor;
- 6 hours of practical driving.

Individual can participate in the program only once in 3 years.







# STATUTORY PROGRAMMES

## 3. PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION OF DRIVERS OF MOTOR VEHICLES

### ➤ ACQUISITION OF 95 CODE

In accordance with the EU directive no. 2003/59 every professional truck or bus driver has to obtain a 95code.

#### **Procedure for obtaining the 95 code:**

- lectures (optional)
- practical driving with a assessor (at least 2 academic hours)
- theoretical exam





# STATUTORY PROGRAMMES

## 3. PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION OF DRIVERS OF MOTOR VEHICLES

### ➤ PERMANENT TRAINING

In accordance with the EU directive no. 2003/59 every professional truck or bus driver has to do 35 hours of so-called permanent training (lectures in the classroom) in every 5 years – this means, 7 hours programme for each year. The programme is prescribed by the Ministry of infrastructure and spatial planning. It can be carried out only by organisations that have obtained a licence.

The price is set by each organisation itself.





# STATUTORY PROGRAMMES

## 4. TRAINING FOR INSTRUCTORS AND FOR OPERATORS OF GROUP WORKSHOPS (for programmes DRIVER BEGINNER – category A and B - and PENALTY POINT REMOVAL) – 78 hours

The participant needs to be trained to be able to instruct trainees, with the assistance of teaching aids, in all areas of the theoretical component of the programme, and make trainees aware of the hazards and dangerous practices that lead to traffic accidents. He/She needs to be able to select appropriate methods of informing trainees about the consequences of accidents. He/She needs to encourage them to identify their own faults and the mistakes made by other road users, and guide them to take steps to correct their behavior.



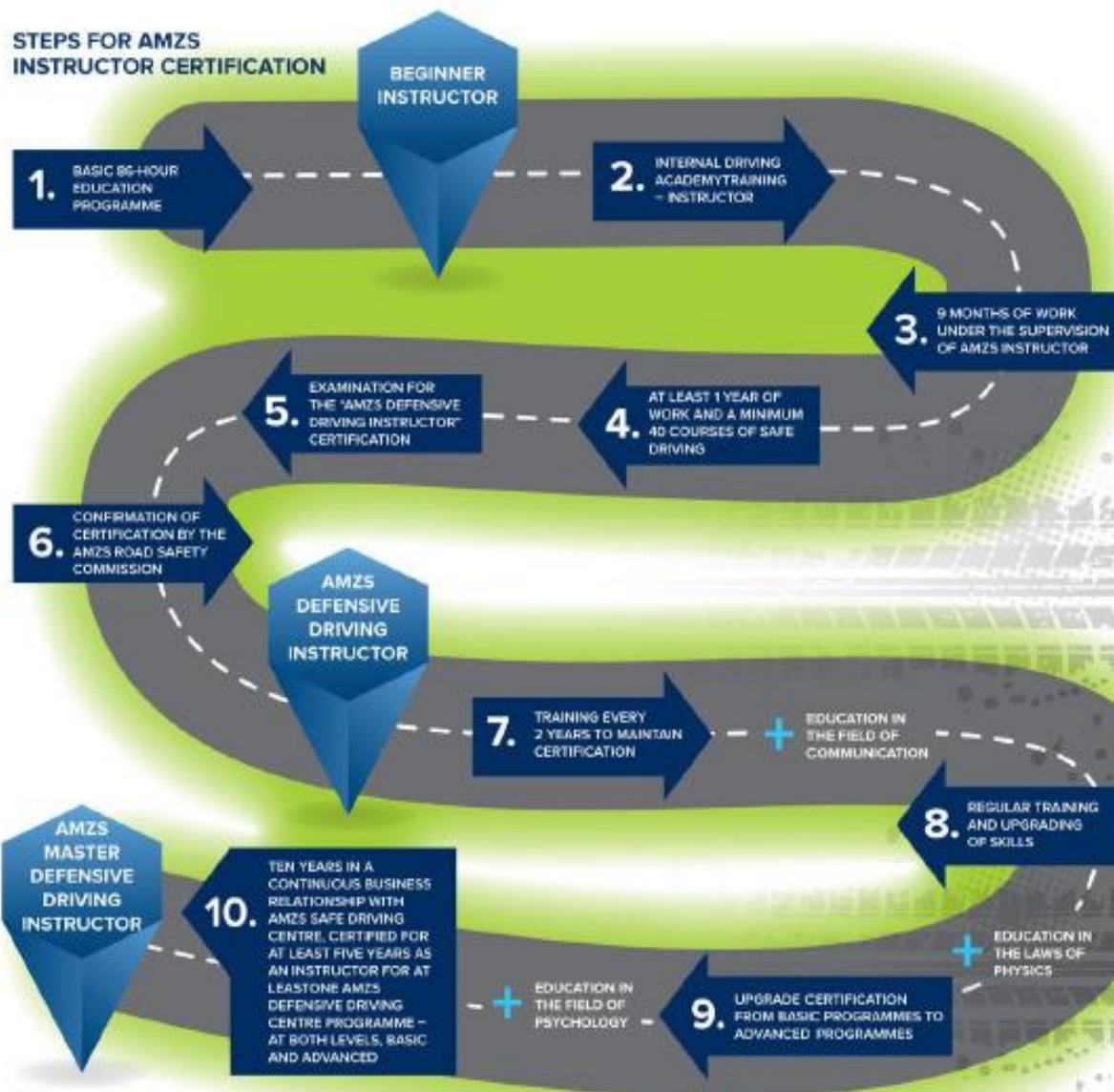


# Modification of the programme

**Upon prior consultation and agreement, this programme can be modified to provide defensive driving instructor training for other groups.**



## DRIVING ACADEMY





# House rules for obtaining and maintaining a license “AMZS DEFENSIVE DRIVING INSTRUCTOR”

There are 3 levels of being instructor in AMZS safe driving centre:

**1) BEGINNER INSTRUCTOR**

after signing the contract on business cooperation with AMZS

**2) AMZS DEFENSIVE DRIVING INSTRUCTOR**

after one year in the name “instructor beginner”, and a minimum of 40 courses of safe driving and with the completion of an examination for a license “Safe Driving Instructor AMZS”

**3) AMZS MASTER DEFENSIVE DRIVING INSTRUCTOR**

after ten years of continuous business relationship with AMZS safe driving centre and he must be at least five years a license holder for at least one AMZS safe driving centre programme – on both levels, basic and complex

**The basis for getting the AMZS defensive driving instructor’s license is obtained safe driving program for personal vehicles (basic level). Later he can also qualify for complex level for personal vehicles.**

In addition, there are:

- programme for motorcyclists (basic and complex level)
- programme for truck drivers (basic and complex level)
- programme for bus drivers (basic and complex level)
- programme for of-road vehicles (basic and complex level)





## Validity of the license

# “AMZS DEFENSIVE DRIVING INSTRUCTOR”

The license is valid for 2 years.

Dates for obtaining the license and maintaining the license are being called twice a year – with the internal publication.

The examination shall consist of :

- Secretary of the Commission for the prevention and road safety education
- Head of AMZS Safe Driving Centre
- 2 professional associates of AMZS



# AMZS Safe Driving Centre's R&D department

The main mission of our research and development department is research of psychological, social and technical factors and their impacts on safe driving. Conclusions are then shared with the greater public and used to improve our programmes.

Multiple research activities focus on driver behaviour and its effect on driver reactions. This also includes the effects of drinking, speeding and neglecting technical safety of the vehicle.



**AMZS Safe Driving Centre cooperates  
with multiple governmental and  
international institutions –  
universities, institutes and other  
European associations dealing with  
driver and traffic related problems.**





## AMZS'S SAFE DRIVING CENTRE TEAM



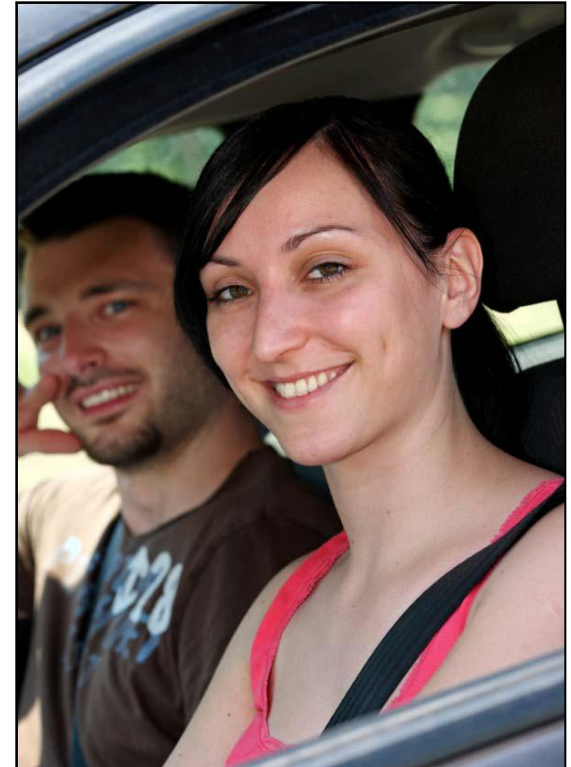


# OUR DAY





## OUR MISSION



**... is to improve road safety,  
and we aim to make it a positive experience for all!**



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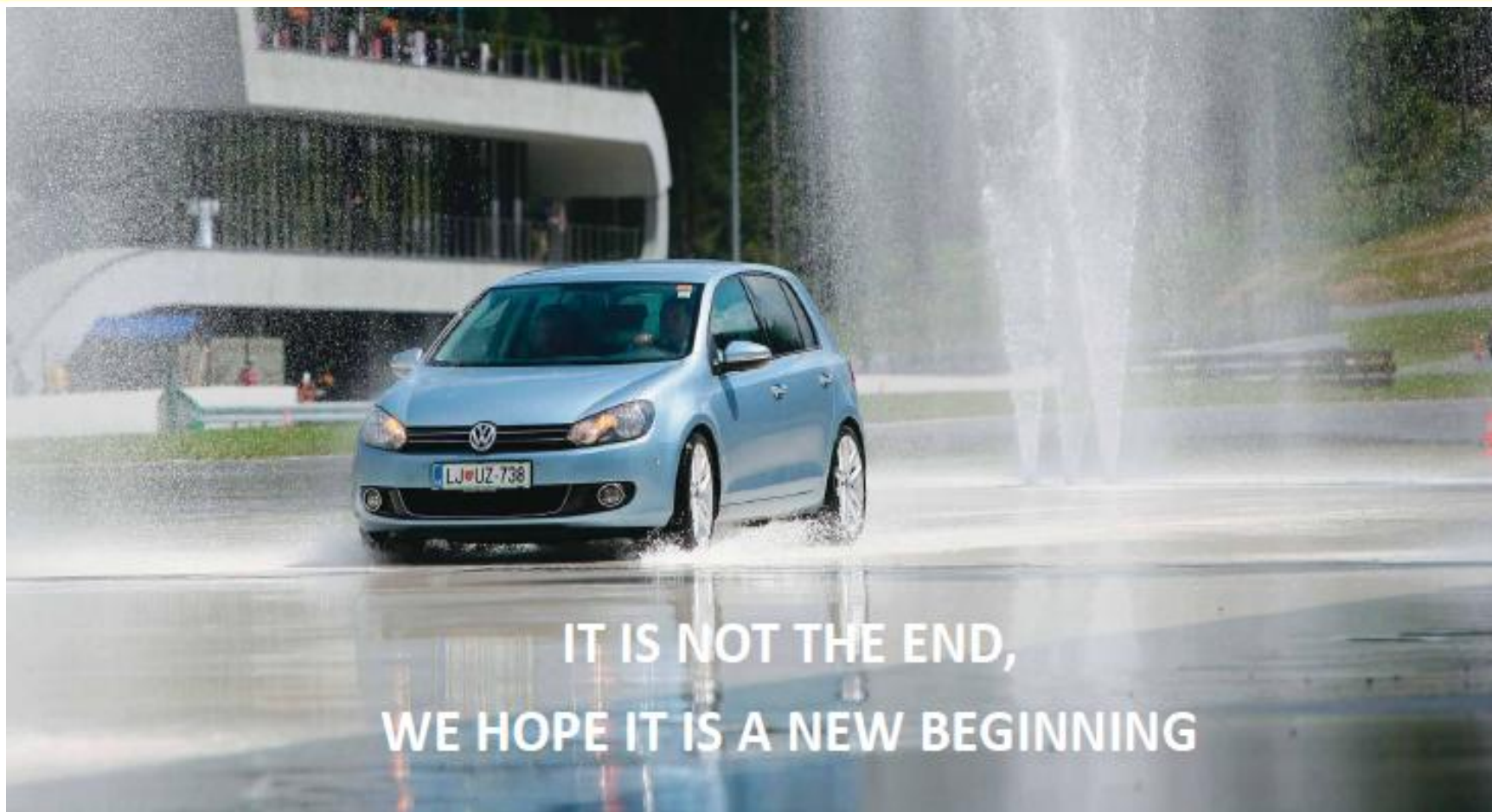
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