

### Third-Party Escort Vehicle Operator Instructor FAQ

Q: What qualifications does a prospective third-party Escort Vehicle Operator Instructor need to teach the EVO course?

A: Prospective third-party EVO instructors are required to meet the qualifications set forth by the Department by having at least 4 years of experience as a NC Certified Escort Vehicle Operator; possess an active North Carolina Escort Certification, which includes, a valid driver's license without restrictions other than for the use of corrective lenses and shall not have received a citation in the previous 12 months for operating a vehicle in a reckless manner or driving while impaired; and be a licensed business owner or an employee of a licensed business which provides the Department's instructional training program for NC escort certifications.

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Q: What documentation is required to be submitted to the Permit Unit Office to become a certified third-party EVO instructor?

A: Prospective third-party EVO instructors are required to submit the "Third-Party Escort Vehicle Operator Course Training and Certification Affirmation" form, "Third-Party EVO Course Training and Certification Instructor Application" form and Business License or Articles of Incorporation, if applicable.

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Q: Can third-party EVO instructor applicants go to the Oversize/Overweight Permit Unit in person to request their instructor certification and obtain it the same business day?

A: No. The standard processing time for third-party EVO instructor certifications is 2 – 10 business days. Applicants may drop off their applications in person, but they will not be able to get the instructor certification on the same day.

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Q: Are third-party EVO instructors required to maintain an active Escort Vehicle Operator Certification?

A: Yes. Third-party EVO instructors are required to maintain an active escort certification. If an instructor receives a citation for Reckless Driving or Driving While Impaired, their driver's license is expired or revoked or their NC Escort Certification expires, their EVO Instructor Certification will be revoked immediately.

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Q: How do third-party EVO instructors order EVO Handbooks and how much do they cost?

A: Instructors can contact the OSOW Permit Unit at [EVO\\_Certification@ncdot.gov](mailto:EVO_Certification@ncdot.gov) to order EVO Handbooks at no charge. Please allow up to 2 weeks for processing the order and shipment.

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Q: How do third-party EVO instructors receive the EVO course content and documents?

A: Once the Permit Office has certified the applicant as a Third-party EVO Instructor, they will receive an email from the Permit Office that includes all training material, course documentation and instructions.