Anyone wishing to provide instruction on riding mopeds and motorcycles for payment/reward will have to be registered as an instructor on the AMI register in order to do so.

How do I become an AMI?

To become an Approved Motorcycle Instructor, it will be necessary to complete and pass the following:

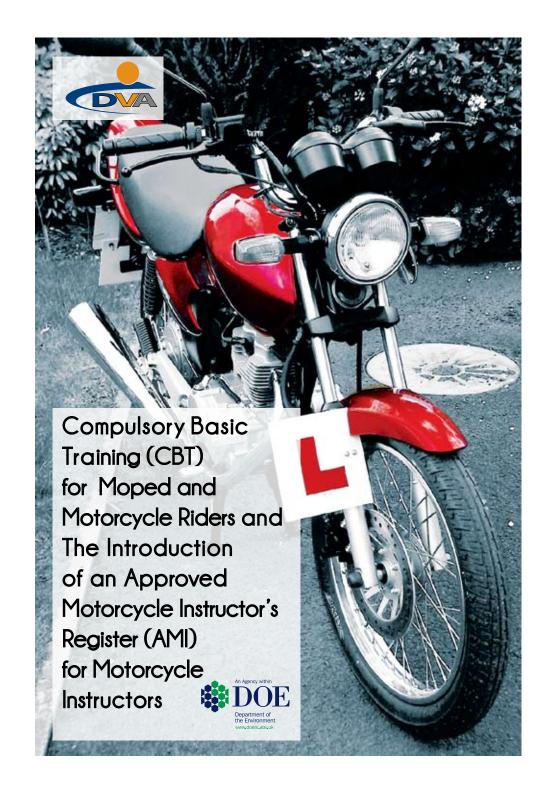
- AMI Theory Test (Part 1)
- AMI Riding Ability & Fitness Test (Part 2)
- Instructional Ability Test (Part 3)

Individuals with relevant motorcycle qualifications may be exempt from certain stages but these cases will be considered on an individual basis.

Individuals who are already listed on the DOE voluntary motorcycle register will have "grandfather rights" to the AMI Register and a maximum 6 month period to apply for registration once the register is introduced.



CBT and AMI visit:
www.nidirect.gov.uk
www. dvani.gov.uk



CHANGES AHEAD FOR MOTORCYCLE INSTRUCTORS AND RIDERS

Driver & Vehicle Agency (DVA) will be introducing a system of Compulsory Basic Training (CBT) in Northern Ireland for those wishing to ride a moped or motorcycle as a learner rider. In addition an Approved Motorcycle Instructor (AMI) Register, similar to that of the present Approved Driving Instructor (ADI) Register, will be introduced in order to regulate this training. DVA plan to introduce an Approved Motorcycle Instructor Register and Compulsory Basic Training by December 2010.



What is CBT?

The CBT scheme in Northern Ireland (NI) will be similar in design to the current Great Britain scheme, but will include additional elements to take account of recent changes in policy to reflect the needs of motorcyclists in the 21st century. This training will be aimed at all learner motorcyclists on NI roads. Any persons riding a moped or motorcycle using provisional entitlement will have to complete CBT prior to riding on public roads, whether this entitlement is on a separate provisional licence, or part of a full driving licence.

In essence any motorcyclist who does not have a full motorcycle licence will have to complete CBT, and provide a certificate as proof of completion if requested. Once completed the CBT certificate will be valid for two years.

If a rider has not gained a full motorcycle licence by the expiry of the CBT certificate, CBT will need to be retaken and the certificate renewed.

Who will be affected by CBT?

- Following implementation all new motorcycle riders will have to complete CBT before being permitted to ride unaccompanied on public roads
- Learner motorcyclists
 who have provisional
 motorcycle entitlement
 prior to the introduction
 of CBT will be encouraged
 to either pass the test or
 complete a CBT course as
 soon as possible as they
 only have 12 months
 from its introduction
 to continue riding a
 motorcycle on public
 roads without either
 a full licence or a CBT
 certificate.
- Full car licence
 holders will continue
 to get provisional
 motorcycle entitlement
 on their licence after
 the introduction of CBT,
 however, they will not be
 able to ride a motorcycle
 unaccompanied on the
 road until they had a
 valid CBT certificate.

Eligibility to take CBT course

In order to be eligible to take a CBT course a learner rider would require provisional Category A (motorcycle) or P (moped) entitlement or a full car licence with full moped entitlement. This will enable you to sign up for a course and ride on the road under the supervision of an Approved Motorcycle Instructor whilst undergoing CBT training.

What is an AMI register?

An AMI register will be introduced in order to regulate the qualification and approval of motorcycle instructors who will provide motorcycle instruction and CBT training for payment/ reward. As a basis, the AMI scheme will be of similar make up to that of the Approved Driving Instructor scheme in place for learner drivers; however this will be aimed specifically at those wishing to teach learner motorcyclists. An AMI will issue the CBT certificate once a learner has reached the standard expected within the CBT scheme.