



# DID YOU KNOW?

## FORCE PRESERVATION

### ★ Marine Corps Motorcycle Training Guidelines

- Every motorcycle rider must complete a Basic Riders Course (BRC). The BRC is intended to teach riders fundamental riding skills such as breaking, turning, and low speed maneuvering.
- Within 120 days of completing the BRC, all riders must attend the next level of training - the Experienced Riders Course (ERC) for cruiser riders or the Military Sportbike Riders Course (MSRC) for sportbike riders.
- Ideally, this next level of training will be completed immediately after the BRC – there is no “experience period” required between the BRC and the ERC/MSRC.
- In most states the BRC is the only requirement to receive a valid motorcycle endorsement – often making mostly inexperienced riders street legal. These riders should attend the ERC/MSRC as soon as possible after the BRC to further develop their skills on their own bikes before hitting the streets.
- The ERC and MSRC are intended to ensure that a Marine can operate his or her own motorcycle at “real world” speeds.
- All riders must have a valid motorcycle endorsement or license to operate any motorcycle on public roads.
- Motorcycle riders should be active members in an installation/base sponsored motorcycle mentorship program or club.
- All riders must complete follow on training every 3 years.

### ★ Marine Corps Exchange - Training Completion PPE Coupons

- Motorcycle safety course graduates (BRC, ERC, and MSRC) are eligible for a 25% off coupon for purchasing motorcycle PPE at the MCX.
- In order to receive a coupon, recipients must:
  - Have MCX privileges
  - Have successfully completed an installation/base sponsored motorcycle course

### ★ Recording Motorcycle Course Completion

- Graduates of an MSF, or other motorcycle safety course approved by the Marine Corps, must ensure that the correct completion codes are entered into the unit diary system.
- All riders should retain a record of attendance, a completion card or a course completion certificate for motorcycle training for future entry into the unit diary system. (Retain proof of beginner, intermediate and advanced training, including any off road training).

### ★ Other Items

- The curriculum of all MSF courses is universal. (e.g. installation sponsored classes, other DoD services sponsored MSF courses, or local community college courses.)
- Insurance providers often provide discounts for additional motorcycle safety training.
- Commanders are encouraged to take advantage of the motorcycle surveys available on the Marine Corps Climate Assessment Survey System (MCASS). Visit <http://semperisurveys.org> for more information or to set up a survey for your command or unit.

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## TYPES OF MOTORCYCLES



**CRUISERS** are the largest class of bikes. Cruisers mimic the style of American motorcycles from the 1930s to 1960s, such as Harley-Davidsons and Indians.



**STANDARDS** have basic designs and upright riding positions, with low power-to-weight ratios that result in a user-friendly motorcycle.



**SUPERSPORTS** are consumer versions of racing motorcycles. Reduced weight and increased power allow for quick acceleration, nimble handling, and high speeds.



**SPORT** motorcycles are closely related to supersports. Sport bikes are capable of high speeds but don't have the acceleration, stability, and handling of supersports. They generally have lower power-to-weight ratios than supersports.



**UNCLAD SPORT** motorcycles are similar to sport bikes and supersports in design and performance but without plastic body fairings or windscreens.



**SPORT-TOURING** motorcycles are similar to sport bikes but tend to be heavier and equipped with touring features such as saddlebags, a rear trunk, and larger seats. Typically, they have more substantial windshields and wind-deflecting fairings than sport bikes. Sport-touring bikes have the largest engines in the sport class.



**TOURING** motorcycles have big engines and fuel tanks plus room to haul luggage. They're often outfitted with antilock brakes, audio systems, and cruise control.



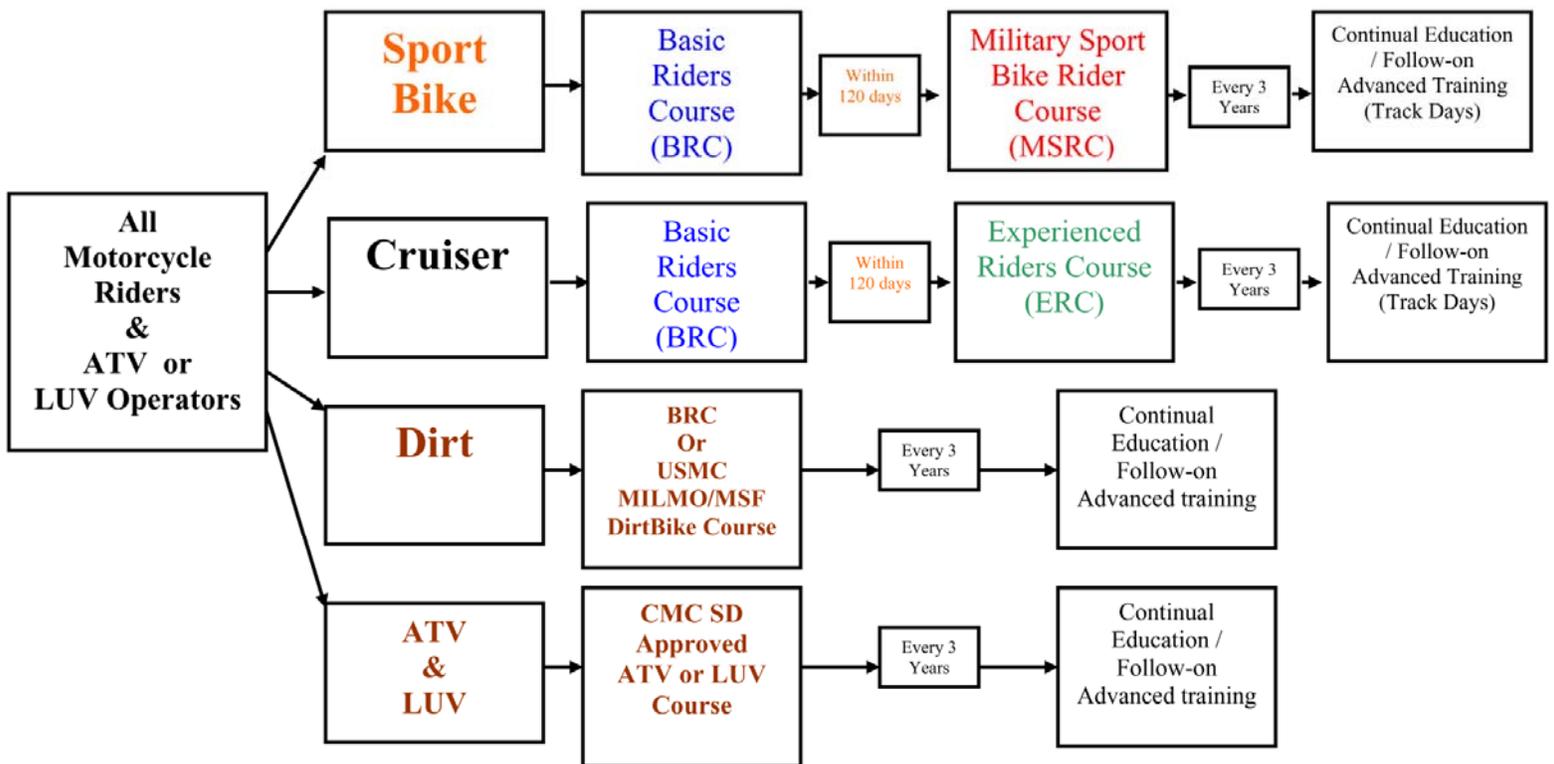
**SCOOTERS** have small wheels, automatic transmissions, and small engines, but larger scooters are becoming more popular.



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## USMC MOTORCYCLE RIDER TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

MCO 5100.19F



1. If you own, ride or wish to ride a motorcycle, you must inform your Chain of Command
2. All Marines who ride will complete the motorcycle training as outlined in 5100.19F
3. Contact your Installation, Base, or Station Traffic Safety Office for assistance.