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**Date:** February 05, 2010  
**To:** Home-Based/Parent-Based Driver Education Programs  
**From:** David Koskelowski, Program Manager  
Traffic Safety/Pupil Transportation  
**Re:** Driver Education Program Approval Process

SEA 14, passed by the 58<sup>th</sup> Wyoming Legislature, directed the Department to promulgate rules to approve driver education programs offered in Wyoming. This law does not mandate driver education programs nor does it require all driver education programs to be approved before they are taught. The only programs that must be approved are those issuing certificates for purposes of W.S. 31-7-108 dealing with the Graduated Driver License.

The Department has promulgated, and the Governor has signed, Chapter 39 *Rules for Driver Education Program Approval* effective July 12, 2006. Program approval is required before any certificates are issued by a program. The graduate of an approved driver education program can receive their full license at age 16½. Lack of approval will result in the denial of the certificates by the Driver Services Division of WYDOT resulting in the student not receiving their full license until they are 17 years old.

If your high school does not offer a driver education program, a parent can use this form to apply as a "parent-based driver education program" to teach their own child. This form can also be used by home-based educators in your district.

Enclosed you will find a copy of Chapter 39 and copies of the two applications. Please make as many copies of these as you may need.

Program approval should be relatively easy. Enclosed is a copy of the *Driver Education Program Approval Guidelines* to help in the completion of the application. Once complete, return the application to the following address:

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Be aware that all driver education programs desiring approval need to submit the application and required paperwork as soon as possible, so that any necessary curriculum changes can be made early in the semester.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 307-777-6984 or at [dkoske@educ.state.wy.us](mailto:dkoske@educ.state.wy.us)