



Motorcycle Licensing Requirements



IAW the Status of Forces Agreement, US Army Europe (USAREUR), *is not allowed to issue a motorcycle license or motorcycle endorsement on a license to Soldiers, dependents and U.S. civilians that do not have one on their U.S. license prior to arrival in Germany.* The USAREUR license is nothing more than a translation of a valid U.S. license. If you do not have a motorcycle endorsement on your U.S. license you will have to meet your states requirements prior to riding in Europe. You will not be allowed to attend MSF training in Germany through the U.S. Army unless you currently have a U.S. license with MC endorsement.

US Army Europe (USAREUR) requirements for Soldiers and DOD civilians:

1. Must attend the 2 hr USAREUR Motorcycle Orientation Course and pass the written examination. Soldiers must complete prior to attending MSF training. This course is given monthly and prior registration through DTS is required. Contact your local Drivers Testing Station to sign up. TB DTS @ 475-8240/09641838240. HOH DTS @ 522-2808/094727082808.

DoD/US Army requirements for Soldiers:

1. **Initial Training:** Complete Motorcycle Safety Foundation® (MSF) Basic Rider Course (BRC) or State-approved curriculum for motorcycle operator's safety training. This is one-time requirement for all active-duty military riders. This training is valid for 12 months.* see below
2. **Intermediate Training:** Based on the type motorcycle(s) owned and operated, Soldiers will complete either the MSF BRC-2, Military Sportbike Riders Course (MSRC) or DoD Component defined curriculum within one year (12 months) after completing initial training (BRC).
3. **Sustainment/Refresher Training:** Complete at least every 5 years (BRC-2, MSRC, or ARC).
4. **Obtain a motorcycle endorsement on state driver's license.**

NOTE: Riding without a motorcycle license is illegal and punishable under the UCMJ. You must have a valid USAREUR, or temporary USAREUR license to complete any USAG Bavaria MSF training course.

Rider training courses: Motorcyclists can self-register for all USAG Bavaria motorcycle safety courses here: <https://imc.army.mil/airs/default.aspx>. Must be logged in with CAC to select class dates. All courses are free of charge and Soldiers will not be charged leave to attend any of these courses. Active duty only.

*The Army Progressive MC Program is designed to consistently keep MC operator training current and sustained or enrich rider skills. Soldier must progress on to next higher level MSF training within one year of completing BRC. BRC2, MSRC, ARC are valid for 5 years. Additionally, after a 5-year period of inactivity or the acquisition of a new or change in MC(s), operators will complete sustainment training. Soldiers are encouraged to take sustainment training after a major geographical change. Commanders are not authorized to waive or defer sustainment training.

MC refresher training (MRT) is required for Soldiers deployed for more than 180 days. Soldiers must attend MRT prior to operating his or her MC on a public or private street or highway with the exception of riding to the training site or location. This training is conducted at the unit level. Contact your Unit Motorcycle Mentor for details.

For more information on MSF classes within USAG Bavaria please call:

Grafenwoehr / Vilseck Safety Office, DSN 526-2306/2305, Commercial, 09641-70-526-2306
Garmisch Safety Office, DSN 440-3595, Commercial, 08821-750-3595
Hohenfels Safety Office, DSN 522-1670, Commercial, 09472-708-1670

***** The 2021 riding season for HoH will resume May 2021.**