



U.S. Helmet Laws

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additional information.*

Except as noted below, all states except Colorado, Illinois and Iowa require helmets to be worn at all times when operating a motorcycle. This includes the District of Columbia. The following are conditions or exceptions of that requirement for the states listed.

ALASKA	9	ARIZONA	4	ARKANSAS	6
CONNECTICUT	4	DELAWARE	1, 7	HAWAII	1, 4
IDAHO	4	INDIANA	4, 11	KANSAS	4
MAINE	3	MARYLAND	1	MINNESOTA	4, 11
MONTANA	4	NEW HAMPSHIRE	4	NEW JERSEY	1
NEW MEXICO	1, 4	NORTH DAKOTA	1, 4	OHIO	4, 8
OKLAHOMA	4	RHODE ISLAND	5	SOUTH CAROLINA	1, 6
SOUTH DAKOTA	4	TEXAS	10	UTAH	4
VERMONT	1	WISCONSIN	4, 11	WYOMING	4

Legend:

1. Reflectorization.
2. Where speeds exceed 35 MPH.
3. With learner's permit; for 1 year after obtaining license; & passenger under 15 years.
4. Under 18 years.
5. Operators under 21 years; for 1 year after obtaining license; & for all passengers.
6. Under 21 years.
7. Possession by all; wear under 19 years; & by instruction permit holders.
8. Novice license holders.
9. Operators under 18 years and all passengers.
10. Except for 21 years and over with rider ed or with health insurance with \$10,000 medical benefits for motorcycle-related injuries.
11. Instructional permit holders.

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