



Don De Lordo – Sr. Road Captain's - Kaution Korner – 2025

Before we get on the road for our 2025 riding season I thought it would be good to review some questions that might allow you to be a more informed rider before you turn the key and rev up the throttle.

While at the DMV for Cincy's vision test, I picked up a copy of the "Illinois Motorcycle Operators Manual – 2025" and figured I would share some of them with you.

So let's start with this quiz...

1. A plastic, shatter-resistant face shield:
 - a. Is not necessary if you have a windshield
 - b. Only protects your eyes.
 - c. Helps protect your whole face.
 - d. Does not protect your face as well as goggles.
2. More than half of all crashers:
 - a. Occur at speeds greater than 35 mph.
 - b. Happen at night.
 - c. Are caused by worn tires.
 - d. Involve riders who have ridden their motorcycles less than six months.
3. When riding you should:
 - a. Turn your head and shoulders.
 - b. Keep your arms straight.
 - c. Keep your knees away from the gas tank.
 - d. Turn your head and eyes to look where you are going.
4. Usually, a good way to handle tailgaters is to:
 - a. Change lanes and let them pass.
 - b. Use your horn and make obscene gestures.
 - c. Speed up to put distance between you and the tailgater.
 - d. Ignore them.
5. To reduce your reaction time, you should:
 - a. Ride slower than the speed limit.
 - b. Cover the clutch and brake.
 - c. Shift into neutral when slowing.
 - d. Pull the clutch when turning.
6. Making eye contact with other drivers:
 - a. Is a good sign they see you.
 - b. Is not worth the effort it takes.
 - c. Does not mean the other driver will yield.
 - d. Guarantees that the other driver will yield to you.
7. Reflective clothing should:

- a. Be worn at Night.
 - b. Be worn during the day.
 - c. Not be worn.
 - d. Be worn day and night.
8. The best way to stop quickly is to:
- a. Use the front brake only.
 - b. Use the rear brake first.
 - c. Throttle down and use the front brake.
 - d. Use both brake simultaneously.
9. When it starts raining it is usually best to:
- a. Ride in the center of the lane.
 - b. Pull off to the side until the rain stops.
 - c. Ride in the tire tracks left by the cars.
 - d. Increase your speed.
10. If your motorcycle starts to wobble you should:
- a. Accelerate out of the wobble.
 - b. Use the brakes gradually.
 - c. Grip the handlebars firmly and close the throttle gradually.
 - d. Downshift.
11. If you are chased by a dog you should:
- a. Kick it away.
 - b. Stop until the animal loses interest.
 - c. Swerve around the animal.
 - d. Approach the animal slowly then speed up.
12. Passengers should:
- a. Lean as you lean.
 - b. Hold on to the motorcycle seat.
 - c. Sit as far back as possible
 - d. Never hold on to you.
13. When riding in a group, inexperienced riders should position themselves:
- a. Just behind the leader.
 - b. In front of the group.
 - c. At the tail end of the group.
 - d. Beside the leader.
14. If you wait an hour for each drink before riding:
- a. You cannot be arrested for drinking and driving.
 - b. Your riding skills will not be affected.
 - c. Effects from drinking may still remain.
 - d. You will be okay as long as you ride slow.

Let's see how you did. The answers are here!

Don's Kaution Korner – 2025 Answers

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