

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §17B-2B-1

## §17B-2B-1. Definitions.

For purposes of this article, the following terms have the meaning indicated:

- (1) "Applicant" means any person applying for a Class G instruction permit or license to operate a motor vehicle in this state who must use a bioptic telescopic device to meet the commissioner's minimum visual acuity and visual field standards for licensure.
- (2) "Approved driver training program" means a program that:
  - (A) Provides and coordinates comprehensive assessment and training of driving skills and responses;
  - (B) Emphasizes clinical and functional vision skills, predriver readiness skills and the physical, mental and social driving skills of an applicant; and
  - (C) Is approved by the Division of Rehabilitation Services, after consultation with the division.
- (3) "Bioptic telescopic device" means a two focus optical system used to magnify distant objects by including a small telescope that is mounted in a spectacle lens so as to allow an unobstructed view of the horizontal visual field through normal distance corrective lenses.
- (4) "Corrective lenses" means eyeglasses, contact lenses, and intraocular lenses, but does not mean a bioptic telescopic device.
- (5) "Daytime driving restriction" means a limitation on the operation of a motor vehicle to:
  - (A) The period of time between 30 minutes after sunrise and 30 minutes before sunset; and
  - (B) Weather conditions that do not significantly reduce the visibility of the roadway, other traffic, and traffic control devices.
- (6) "Field expander" means a device used to compensate for peripheral visual field loss.
- (7) "Restricted out-of-state driver" means a person who has been issued, by another state, a valid driver's license with a restriction requiring the driver to use a bioptic telescopic device.
- (8) "Vision specialist" means a licensed ophthalmologist or optometrist.
- (9) "Visual acuity" means the measure of a person's clarity of vision based on the Snellen visual acuity scale.
- (10) "Visual field" means the area of physical space visible to the eye in a given fixed

position.

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