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

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