

# 1987-2012: 25 years of «Motorcycle training – nothing but motorcycles»

Here it is all about commitment and experience. The oldest motorcycle riding school in Switzerland is celebrating its 25th anniversary. With us you will benefit from the many years of experience of an established team.



«Tramstrasse 100» - the original!

Where else can you learn more than you pay for! Thanks to our wide variety of motorcycles of all sizes we can help finding the right bike for you - our resources ensure the best support.

# As a professional firm, we offer everything needed for your training:

Information, advice, our own vehicles in each category, all mandatory courses (theory and practice), education and training, teaching exclusively sitting on your pillion seat, allowing us to best monitor your progress.

The school is located just 400 meters from the Hallenstadion / Messe Zurich

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Motorcycling is the passion of Urs Tobler. Before training as a riding instructor, Urs was a professional science teacher. This blend of vocation and his professional training methods puts him apart from all the other riding schools. Whoever learns at «Tramstrassse 100» and learns how to ride a motorcycle will receive personal one-on-one instruction from «Mr. Urs Tobler» himself: 30 years of experience, since 1987 working exclusively as motorcycle instructor make him a specialist in his field. Rightly you can expect more from Urs. Every Saturday throughout the year we offer the basic course!





In 2012 the «Tramstrasse 100» celebrated its 25th anniversary. It is the very first and oldest riding school for motorcycles in Switzerland. It's the quality, not the quantity, that distinguishes, and the many years of professional experience. This continuity ensures continued success and recognition far beyond the region of Zurich.

CV: Since his 18th birthday Urs Tobler has been riding motorcycles. In 1978 he established the GoldWing motorcycle Club in Switzerland and was a driving force behind its activities and success. In 1987 he was both a participant and race school instructor at various race circuits. From 1990 he explored different skills beyond roads, including 4 desert treks in North Africa. During this time he continued to develop his training as a motorcycle instructor, and trained other motorcycle riding instructors.

> The GoldWing for work and long trips. He has ridden many different types of machine including enduro, sportsbikes and scooters.

On his Thailand-trip in 2014 with his friend's bike.



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We offer all of our students the following program:

- 1. Introduction to Bike control
- 2. Traffic skills
- 3. Cornering skills

# **1. Introduction to Bike control**

Introduction Theory, Parts 1 and 2 riding experience to 5 hours each



The **basic course** in bike control is an introduction to training and development on the way to becoming a motorcyclist. It includes all the basic requirements of vehicle control and the required training for confident riding at very low speeds in complete control. It also introduces the skills necessary in cornering and braking where learning to look where you're going is so essential. Why settle for the compulsory basic training with the minimum mandatory hours, instead focus from the start on learning the necessary skills, the way we are doing at «Tramstrasse 100».

Before taking the course some basic training is highly recommended, only those who are well prepared for the course (preliminary training), can really benefit: This applies also to courses in other riding schools, but sadly many places focus on simply completing the course and neglecting the need for skills. The customer pays for lost time!



Bike control courses are run **throughout the year** on Saturdays from April to September every 2 weeks, then every 3 weeks. Courses during the week are available on request, from 3-4 participants at any time.

The training program described on this page includes

The first 4 hours of the compulsory basic training

# 2. Traffic skills

To ride a motorcycle or scooter safely in traffic needs good vehicle control, proper observation of the road and good hazard perception: Mistakes on a single-track vehicle can be costly, both in repairs to the bike and to the body. Do not leave the training of your riding ability to chance!

Whether are in traffic for the first time (Category A1 over 16 years) or whether you have to learn to operate a manual transmission, you are helped through this in **private lessons**. Theoretical knowledge is gradually put into practice: Observation and hazard perception skills, as well as learning to control the bike without thought will be enhanced by intensive training and tailored homework. Only those who can control the bike in every situation will respond properly in an emergency situation. Individual lessons are given exclusively from the pillion seat from where we can best assess your progress and most effectively teach you. Depending on your progress this lasts from two to five double lessons.



As a **minimum** the Supplementary Course is also available to riders of automatic scooters, even those with many years' experience in traffic can benefit from these lessons. Theory and practice, the difference is explained with respect to riding skills specific to the handling of two-wheeled vehicles.

This part of the training can only be carried out in non-hazardous road and weather conditions. In winter one can therefore extend the time required to pass this phase. Private Lessons can only be granted conditionally on Saturdays, so the prices can vary.

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# 3. Cornering skills (Education & Training Course)

«The more you know, the better it gets» - that is the motto of the association in America, whose logo my business has adopted: When you control the bike with confidence, the fun of motorcycling begins! If you do not want to risk it, there's no other way than to take this cornering skills course, a theory and technical training evening will prepare you for this one-day course where you will feel really at ease for the first time, as has been confirmed by the hundreds of participants that have successfully taken our course. If this course did not exist, you would have to invent it ...

As a requirement for participation you must have mastered basic bike control, particularly the go-where-you-look technique in (tight) curves, smooth vehicle operation, acceleration and downshifting (with compensating throttle) and braking simultaneously with both brakes and speed control prior to the curve is required.

The cornering skills course is a continuing education course, which is highly recommended even for long standing and experienced motorcyclists. In addition to the correct cornering line, the focus is on the correct use of speed and lean angle. We use riding on loose surfaces to develop confidence in leaning and correct speed control.

The cornering skills course runs from spring to autumn on the last Friday of the month. We do not run this course when there is a risk of adverse weather conditions, though rain is not considered adverse, the course is tailored to the conditions. The required theoretical preparation at noon the previous day is included in the price.



The 3rd part of basic training, cornering skills is mandatory for category A.

The training program described on this page includes

#### The third 4 hours of compulsory basic training

## Let my enthusiasm for motorcycles overwhelm you with excitement!

# Training for experienced motorcyclists

There is a long tradition of Continuous Education at «Tramstrasse 100». Many experienced motorcyclists can benefit from further training, in particularly cornering and very slow riding because they have never completed tailored training. Unfortunately these problems are not addressed in many riding schools.



Each March to May I regularly provide continuing education to voluntary groups. Skills get rusty over the winter and appropriate training helps get you back up to speed and indeed improve your riding. The focus is on braking exercises, cornering skills but can be tailored exactly as may be desired. This can happen in any area you desire.

Personal training is also available in the **bike control course** and **cornering skills course 1**. The former is particularly relevant if you have a new bike: technology is changing every year and you need new skills to take full advantage of it, and indeed avoid the pitfalls it may bring. Cornering skills is always current, those who have attended course 1, can always improve their skills by repeating it or taking cornering skills course 2. We would always recommend a personal assessment to ensure you have the right skill level for each course.





# Training off road

Every street rider will benefit from learning to ride on loose surfaces, you learn to remain relaxed and loose in all situations even where you think it is beyond you! So confident are we in this course the ABACUS Motorcycle Riding School will provide its own bikes where required. These courses are held as needed in Switzerland.

## Training courses on the circuit

To rent a racetrack is beyond the capabilities of a single instructor. Therefore these courses are run in collaboration with other schools. Completion of cornering skills courses 1 and 2 guarantees a fun experience on the track, which has tempted many into trouble: We can help you safely explore your own and your bikes limits and avoid the pitfalls of going too fast too quickly.

Exact details, location and time of implementation can be found on **our website** under Events or contact me for a personal consultation.

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# Different Events and Rides with educational character



**Every Thursday** (from April until the end of September) guided trips: Meet at 19h. Start in several groups to max. 6-8 bikes, different skill level groups. L-drivers may also participate. This is about twistiest routes to a destination, restaurant or barbecue. Everyone can join, regardless of whether he or she has learnt at «Tramstrasse 100» or not.

**«Stella Alpina»** 5-day-Enduro-Tour on the second weekend of July (Thu to Mon). First day about 600km tarred roads (France/Italy), also possible with the street bike. Then 2 ½ days off road in Piedmont with enduros (can be transported there for you), afterwards return to 1 ½ days on mostly paved streets in France. The offer includes tour guide, luggage transport. Motorcycle transport extra.





You can find me every year in February at the **SWISS-MOTO**, the biggest motorcycle show at Messe Zürich and also every year I have my own place at the annual **LOVERIDE**, the first Sunday in May, held on the huge airfield of Dübendorf. Always the first Sunday in October we have our last social event with the **final-end ride**, starting in Pfäffikon/SZ in the famous place «Luegeten» – the ride is a surprise, every year a new and fantastic experience.

Pre-season travel: With enough participants mid March we lead a tour with arranged hotel accommodation based around the **«Côte d'Azur».** Opportunity for Moto transport and flight arrival. This trip will be repeated as a post-season trip in mid-November.

You can find more photos from past events and motorbike-trips on **our website**.



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# «Try» without (learner's) permit!

If you have ever wanted to ride a motorbike or a scooter, a double lesson **without identification and equipment** is the way! Have you ever wanted to ride a motorcycle, but you don't have the courage. Have you ridden pillion with friends and now want to take the handlebars into your own hands. With «Tramstrasse 100» everything is possible!



About 50-60 people per year come to us to experience their «first motorcycle-steps». You can trust in my experience, I will make it easy and fun for you and after these first experiences we can discuss how best to proceed!

For those not owning a motorcycle we have plenty available for you to rent and practice on. So you will always be challenged but never overwhelmed. It makes a lot of sense to ride different bikes as your skill level quickly rises. Riding school equipment: by the hour or long term rent on a km basis is available.

## Get rid of your «L»!

The course is set up correctly, it is NEVER too late! The choice of riding school is looking for someone that you feel comfortable with and who has a good sense for motorcycling skills, so you will be challenged but never pushed too far. It is understandable that many do not immediately make the right choice. If the riding school has not fulfilled its promise, it's never too late to change to the pros: My track record of thousands of students passing their test and improving their skills since my beginnings in 1982, my techniques and my education will help you start a great motorbike career!



We will find you the best solution.

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