

Driving Contract Between Teen and Parent

As a new driver I promise to:

1. Always wear my seat belt and require all passengers to do so
2. Never drive after consuming alcohol or drugs
3. Be a passenger only with drivers who are alcohol- and drug-free
4. Always call for a ride if it's not safe to drive or ride
5. Be a courteous driver
6. Call if I will be more than _____ minutes late
7. Drive at safe speeds for road conditions — at or below the speed limit
8. Never engage in racing, stunts, or other thrill-seeking activities
9. Not conceal tickets, warnings, or crashes
10. Not drive when fatigued
11. Never use a cell phone or other electronic device when driving
12. Not drive aggressively, tailgate, or speed up to get through yellow lights
13. Not allow anyone else to drive the car
14. Abide by passenger and night driving provisions
15. Other: _____

As your parent/guardian I promise to:

1. Be available for practice on a variety of road types and driving conditions
2. Be available to pick you up if it's not safe for you to drive or ride
3. Other: _____

The Following Provisions Are Agreed Upon:

These Provisions Should be Periodically Reviewed.

Number of passengers under age 20 allowed during first year of licensure:

- Months 1-6 None One*
- Months 7-12 None One Two Three*
- After one year of licensure None One Two Three

*Maximum allowed by law

- Extra passengers will not be allowed if seat belts are not available for each person.

Nighttime driving limitations during the first year of licensure:

Months 1-6, no driving from

- Midnight to 5 a.m. _____ p.m. or dark to 5 a.m.
(as required by law) (use this option to extend the nighttime driving limitation)

Months 7-12, no driving from

- Midnight to 5 a.m. _____ p.m. or dark to 5 a.m. _____ to _____

Road conditions:

- Good weather All weather Low-traffic volume High-traffic volume

Teen's signature

Date

Parent's signature

Date



Driving Skills Checklist

Driving Practice Log

Student Driver	Never	Sometimes	Always
1. Knows location of gauges and safety devices and checks them before driving			
2. Adjusts seat, mirrors and seat belt			
3. Always wears seat belt			
4. Judges and maintains a safe following distance (three seconds) <i>Count "1 - 1000, 2 - 1000, 3 - 1000" between the time the back of a car in front of you passes a stationary object and the time the front of your car reaches the same spot.</i>			
5. Demonstrates ability to back straight and turn while backing			
6. Is aware of other drivers' blind spots, especially large trucks			
7. Checks mirrors and blind spot (by looking over shoulder) before changing lanes			
8. Is aware of tailgaters and safely manages their own driving behaviors			
9. Anticipates and reacts properly to changing traffic lights			
10. Checks mirrors frequently			
11. Signals properly in advance of turns and lane changes			
12. Anticipates braking situations in time to avoid an emergency braking situation			
13. Appears relaxed and comfortable, yet alert and aware when driving			
14. Is comfortable driving at night			
15. Uses high and low beam headlights correctly			
16. Adjusts speed to road, traffic and weather conditions			
17. Is aware of and properly yields right-of-way to pedestrians			
18. Demonstrates smooth braking and acceleration techniques			
19. Demonstrates smooth movements and coordination while turning			
20. Demonstrates proper staging and yielding during unprotected left turns involving oncoming traffic			
21. Demonstrates ability to identify and interpret road signs			
22. Properly assesses intersections and right-of-way (<i>no longer asks, "Is it OK to go?"</i>)			
23. Demonstrates ability to safely merge onto and exit from freeways			
24. Demonstrates ability to safely control vehicle on a variety of road conditions: wet, snowy, icy			

Date	Day or Night	Miles Driven	Skills Practiced	Driving Time	Road Conditions
Total:				Total:	