

PARENT-TEEN DRIVING CONTRACT



Young, inexperienced drivers, die too often in fatal crashes largely because of immaturity and inexperience. Three-stage GDL (**Graduated Drivers License**) laws reduce these factors by gradually introducing driving tasks and privileges through controlled exposure to high-risk situations. All States and the District of Columbia have GDL laws with these three stages:

- Learner's Permit,
- Intermediate (Provisional) License, and
- Full Licensure

Make sure you and your teen drivers know and understand your State GDL laws before they get behind the wheel.

DISTRACTED DRIVING: Ten percent of all drivers 15 to 19 years old involved in fatal crashes were reported as distracted at the time of the crashes. This age group has the largest proportion of drivers who were distracted at the time of the crashes.

1. RULE: NO CELL PHONES.

AGREEMENT:

CONSEQUENCES:

2. RULE: NO EXTRA PASSENGERS. The risk of fatal crashes increases in direct relation to the number of teens in the car.

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3. RULE: NO SPEEDING. In 2013, speeding was a factor for 42% of teen (15-19) drivers in fatal crashes.

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4. RULE: ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL. In 2013, 1,164 teen drivers were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes. 25% (289) of these drivers had alcohol in their system.

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5. ALWAYS WEAR YOUR SEATBELT. In 2013, almost half (49%) of teen (15-19) drivers of passenger car and light trucks killed in crashes were unrestrained.

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I, _____, agree to abide by these rules set forth by Safe Communities of
TEENAGER
Wood County and _____ to make a safer driver experience for myself and
PARENT/GUARDIAN
other drivers around me.

TEEN:

PARENT/GUARDIAN:

DATE:

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