



Parent-Teen Driving Agreement

Our family enters into this agreement covering the operation of any family vehicle by (Teen's Name): _____.

Non-Negotiable Rules (Teen must acknowledge each rule with initials)

I understand that the car I drive is my parent's or guardian's property and I may only drive it with their permission and in accordance with their rules and restrictions.

I will:

- wear my safety belt at all times, when driving or riding as a passenger;
- require that every passenger wear a safety belt;
- keep my doors locked while driving;
- always drive at safe speeds for the conditions- at or below the speed limit;
- obey traffic laws.

The terms of this contract may change based on how I handle my responsibilities as a driver. However, some rules are non-negotiable. My driving privileges will be suspended indefinitely if any of the following rules is violated:

I will **NOT**:

- talk on a cell phone and/or text message while driving;
- drive under the influence of alcohol or other drugs;
- be a passenger in a car driven by someone under the influence of alcohol or other drugs;
- allow alcohol or other drugs, or weapons in the car;
- engage in thrill-seeking, stunts, or any form of racing;
- conceal any tickets, warnings, or collisions from parents/guardians;
- allow anyone else to drive the car;
- allow passengers, other than parents, until that privilege is given by my parents.

General Rules (to be agreed upon by both Parents and Teen)

Our family agrees that our teen won't drive at night between hours of _____ to _____ for a period of at least _____ months. We will work as a group to make sure that they are able to attend all school, social and work activities during that time.

Our family agrees that our teen won't drive with other teen passengers or be driven by a teen driver for a period of at least _____ months.

Parental Commitments (Parents must initial all that apply)

- We will provide and maintain a safe vehicle.
- We will pay for driver training classes/materials.
- We will be available to ride with you so you can fulfill your Graduated Licensing Law requirements and gain experience in a variety of conditions and locations.
- As your passenger, we will share observations and coaching in a calm, respectful manner.
- We are there when you need us. We will pick you up or arrange for your safe transportation home, regardless of the situation or time of your call.
- We will be role models and lead by example.

Courtesies and Considerations (Teen must acknowledge with initials)

As a new driver in our family, the teen driver agrees to comply with the following courtesies and considerations. I, _____ understand each violation represents a forfeit of privileges:

- ___ I will provide my parents with my destination and time of return.
- ___ I will call home if I feel I will not make curfew.
- ___ I will not make unnecessary side trips or stops.
- ___ I will not drive outside of agreed upon territories or boundaries.
- ___ I will not eat, drink or smoke in the car.
- ___ I will pull over and park the car before using my cell phone, or any electronic devices.
- ___ I will not affix stickers or decals without permission.
- ___ I will always treat pedestrians, cyclists, and other motorists with courtesy.

Privileges and Responsibilities (Parents must check all that apply)

Our family agrees that driving is a privilege linked to satisfactory behavior at home and school, including:

- ___ complying with family rules;
- ___ completing duties at home properly and on time;
- ___ showing proper respect for parents and others;
- ___ maintaining attendance, conduct, and effort at school.

Mileage Linked to GPA (Parents must fill out miles/frequency)

We further link the maximum number of times our teen can drive each week to grade point average:

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| A | _____ miles per week | _____ times per week |
| B | _____ miles per week | _____ times per week |
| C | _____ miles per week | _____ times per week |
| D | _____ miles per week | _____ times per week |
| F | _____ miles per week | _____ times per week. |

Operating Our Car (Parents must check all that apply)

Our family agrees that our teen driver will perform the routine upkeep and maintenance of tasks indicated. If not checked, we the parents agree to perform the task:

- ___ clear and clean windows and mirrors every time the vehicle is driven.
- ___ inspect and check tire pressure every time the vehicle is driven.
- ___ check fluids at each fill-up.
- ___ wash vehicle and keep interior clean.
- ___ report when fuel is less than 1/4 tank.
- ___ report unusual performance.
- ___ have routine maintenance/checks performed.

Expenses (Parents must write-in percentages)

Our family agrees that our teen driver will pay the indicated percentage of expenses related to the following responsibilities:

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| ___ Cost of vehicle | ___ Parking fees/decals |
| ___ Vehicle registration | ___ Damage due to abuse |
| ___ Cost of fuel | ___ Collision damage |
| ___ Cost of insurance | ___ Tickets, fines, penalties |
| ___ Maintenance costs | ___ Cost of insurance if grade point average drops below "B" |

Loss of Privileges (Parents must fill out days)

We jointly Agree that a citation for speeding of less than 10 mph over the limit shall result in a suspension of driving privileges for ___ days. For a violation in excess of 10 mph over, the suspension shall be ___ days.

For other traffic violations, the suspension schedule shall be:

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| Parking Ticket | _____ | Days Suspension |
| Careless Driving | _____ | Days Suspension |
| Reckless Driving | _____ | Days Suspension |
| Following too closely | _____ | Days Suspension |
| Failure to Yield Right-of-Way | _____ | Days Suspension |
| Failure to Signal | _____ | Days Suspension |
| Running a Stop Light | _____ | Days Suspension |
| Running a Stop Sign | _____ | Days Suspension |
- Any At-Fault collision resulting in \$500 damage or more shall result in a suspension of ___ days.

The frequency of infractions will also result in the loss of driving privileges for an agreed upon duration. This will be added to the violations as cited above.

First offense	_____	Days Suspension
Second offense	_____	Days Suspension
Third offense	_____	Days Suspension
Preventable crash	_____	Days Suspension
Serious violation		Indefinite Suspension
Alcohol/drug use		Indefinite Suspension

Shared Commitment

Our family pledges its support of our newest driver. We will do everything we can to promote safe driving and responsible behavior.

Teen: In initialing terms and signing this contract, I acknowledge that I understand my legal responsibilities and commitment to my family as a driver. I agree to abide by the terms of this contract and accept the forfeit of privileges if I fail to comply.

(Teen) (Date)

Parents/Guardians: We, as parents or guardians and owners of the family vehicles, agree to serve as good role models in our own driving. We will encourage safe driving practices by our teen by fairly and consistently enforcing the terms of this contract.

(Name) (Date)

(Name) (Date)

Review date: _____.