



Parent-Teen Driving Contract

Young, inexperienced drivers, die too often in fatal crashes largely because of immaturity and inexperience. Three-stage GDL 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.

1. **DISTRACTED DRIVING:** In 2013, for drivers 15-19 years old involved in fatal crashes, 15 percent of the distracted drivers were distracted by the use of cell phones. **RULE: NO CELL PHONES.**

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

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

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

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

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

4. **ALCOHOL:** In 2013, 1,164 teen drivers were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes. Twenty-five percent (289) of these drivers had alcohol in their system. **RULE: ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL!**

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: **ZERO TOLERANCE. LOSS OF VEHICLE PRIVILEGES, LOSS OF LICENSE**

5. **SEATBELTS:** In 2013, almost half (49%) of teen (15-19) drivers of passenger car and light trucks killed in crashes were unrestrained. **RULE: ALWAYS BUCKLE-UP.**

AGREEMENT: _____

CONSEQUENCES: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

TEEN: _____

DATE: _____

