

Parent-Teen Driving Agreement

Teen Driver Responsibilities

1. Driving safely

- ▶ Always wear a seatbelt. Make sure passengers do too.
- ▶ Follow all traffic laws.
- ▶ Keep your phone on, but do not talk, text or use social media while driving.

2. Driving under the influence

- ▶ Never drive after drinking alcohol or using drugs.

3. Riding with others

- ▶ Do not ride with someone who has been drinking or using drugs.
- ▶ Use good judgment. Avoid rides with unsafe or reckless drivers.

4. Staying in touch

- ▶ Always tell parents where you are and your travel plans.
- ▶ Call a parent if you ever feel unsafe. This rule is 24/7.
- ▶ Talk with parents about any unsafe situations within 24 hours.

5. Helping out

- ▶ Help with errands, transport siblings or other reasonable tasks in exchange for vehicle use.

Parent Responsibilities

1. Rides when called

- ▶ Pick up your teen safely anytime they need it. Discuss the situation within 24 hours.

2. Good example

- ▶ Drive safely and answer questions about your driving.

3. Safe vehicle

- ▶ Provide a reliable, safe car. Parents approve any changes to the vehicle.

4. Costs

- ▶ Parents pay for gas, insurance, maintenance and repairs unless they choose a vehicle usage fee.

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Vehicle Usage Rules

1. Range

- ▶ Teen may drive in approved areas only. Ask parents before going outside these areas.

2. Curfew

- ▶ School nights: No driving after 10 p.m. without permission.
- ▶ Non-school nights: No driving after midnight without permission.

3. Passengers

- ▶ Follow local passenger limits for teen drivers. Be careful with passengers. You are responsible for their safety

4. Vehicle upkeep

- ▶ Keep the car clean and free of trash.

Consequences

1. Tickets

- ▶ Teen pays for traffic fines and any insurance increases.
- ▶ Parents may take away driving privileges for violations.

2. Accidents

- ▶ Teen explains what happened and what could be done differently.
- ▶ Take responsibility for your part of the accident.
- ▶ Cooperate with investigations.
- ▶ Teen may pay for repairs or alternate transportation costs.

3. Breaking the agreement

- ▶ May result in loss of driving privileges, extracurricular activities or added chores.
- ▶ Parents may add rules, such as maintaining good grades, to keep driving privileges.

4. Review

- ▶ This contract will be reviewed and updated as needed.

Signatures

Teen Driver _____ Date _____

Parent _____ Date _____

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