

Teen Driver and Parent Contract Full License

Parent/Guardian's Message to Teen:



I understand that you're getting older and need more independence now. Driving is still dangerous and I worry because so many young people your age die in crashes every year. You are so precious to me. Even though you may be moving away to go to college or work, I still want you to be safe.

Teen's Promise to Parents:

Every year thousands of teen and young adult drivers like me get killed or badly injured in car crashes. I know you love me and want to protect me. You've made the following rules to keep me safe when I'm driving.

I have read each rule and initialed beside it to show I understand what it means and agree to obey it.

I WILL NEVER —

- Drive after using illegal drugs _____
- Drive after drinking any alcohol. _____
- Drive without my seatbelt fastened. _____
- Allow anyone to ride in my vehicle without a seatbelt. _____
- Talk on a cell phone, text or read texts while I am driving. _____
- Drive aggressively or show hostile behavior toward other drivers _____
- Race or engage in stunts or other risky behavior _____
- Conceal tickets, warnings or crashes from my parents _____
- Allow anyone else to drive the car. _____
- Get in a car with a driver who is under the influence of drugs or alcohol. _____

- Wear headphones when I'm driving and I'll keep the music and noise at a level where I can still hear noises like sirens. _____
- Allow anyone else to smoke in the car. _____
- Drive when I am exhausted. _____

The consequences for failure to abide by these rules will be: (Be specific.)

I WILL ALWAYS –

- Obey all speed limits, traffic signs and traffic lights. _____
- Pull over in a safe location if I need to make a call. _____
- Do my best to tell you when I feel pressured to do things that make me uncomfortable or worry me _____
- Let you or someone else I trust know where I'm going, who I'm with, and when to expect me back. _____
- Try to make a plan for how I'll get home safely, before I go out _____

The consequences for failure to abide by these rules will be: (Be specific.)

Parent/Guardian's Promise to Teen:

I understand that you're getting older and need more independence now. I still worry because so many young people your age die in crashes every year and you are so precious to me. Because I love and trust you and want you to be safe:

I WILL NOT -

- Drive under the influence of alcohol or drugs. _____
- Ride with a driver who has had too much to drink _____
- Use my cell phone or text when I drive. _____

I WILL –

- Find safe transportation home if I am ever in a situation where I've had too much to drink. _____
- Wear my seatbelt and require everyone in my vehicle to do the same. _____
- Avoid making decisions that will jeopardize my health and safety or cause you to lose your trust in me _____
- Provide you with Safe Passage as defined below _____

The consequences for failure to abide by these rules will be:

The Safe Passage Clause

If you are ever in a situation that threatens your safety, *please* contact me for a safe ride home. I promise to pick you up without question. It doesn't matter where you are, what time it is or what the situation is. I would rather drive across town at 3 a.m. to pick you up, than identify your body in the morgue the next morning.

I won't yell at you or be angry because I want you to call me if you need help. We will postpone discussions about that situation until we can both discuss the issues in a calm, caring way.

If you are too far away to call me for help, please find friends you can count on to help you.

Teen Signature _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature (s) _____

Date: _____