

## Introduction

This contract can be used during the Learner and Novice stages.

Items for the Learner stage only are marked with **L**.

The Learner stage lasts a minimum of one year.

Items for the Novice stage only are marked with **N**.

The Novice stage lasts a minimum of two years (18 months if you meet certain requirements).

## We jointly acknowledge:

- Driving is a high risk activity that can have serious consequences. Traffic crashes are the number one cause of death and serious injuries among teenagers.
- New drivers have significantly more crashes, injuries and deaths than experienced drivers.
- Driving is a privilege and not a right.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (name of driving supervisor/coach) and \_\_\_\_\_ will be \_\_\_\_\_ (teenager's) driving supervisor/coach.
- The terms of this contract can be changed during this period if \_\_\_\_\_

Parent  
 Parent  
 Teen

## For the teenager:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree:

Parent  
 Parent  
 Teen

## General terms:

- To drive safely and courteously at all times.
- To drive according to the laws at all times.
- To always wear my seat belt when I am in a moving vehicle.
- To give driving my full attention at all times.
- To never drive when I am tired, angry, distracted or impaired in any way.
- To never ride with a driver whose abilities are impaired by alcohol, drugs, fatigue and/or distractions (e.g., use of a cell phone).
- To ride only with drivers who drive safely (e.g., at the posted speed, following BC's Graduated Licensing driving restrictions, etc.)
- To call a cab, you or another family member if I need a safe ride home.

### Consequences for breaking any of the above:

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**L Graduated licensing terms for Learners**

- To thoroughly study *Tuning Up for Drivers*.
- To adhere to the Learner stage driving restrictions:

**Qualified supervisor**

I will be accompanied at all times by a supervisor who is 25 or older and has a valid driver’s licence (Class 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5). He or she will sit beside me in the front passenger seat.

**Passenger restriction**

I will carry a maximum of two passengers: my licensed adult supervisor and one other person.

**Driving hours**

I will drive only between 5 a.m. and midnight.

**L sign**

I will display a red L (Learner) sign to alert others that I’m a new driver so they can give me more space.

**Zero blood alcohol content**

I will never have any alcohol in my body when I drive.

*Note: The above restrictions of the Graduated Licensing Program are **minimum restrictions**. Parents may wish to add their own restrictions over and above these official ones. Parents should consider enforcing the official consequences or more stringent ones if they discover that the official or family restrictions have been violated.*

**Consequences for breaking any of the above (over and above those imposed by the Graduated Licensing Program):**

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**N Graduated licensing terms for Novices**

- To periodically review *Road Sense for Drivers* and *Tuning Up for Drivers*.
- To adhere to the Novice stage driving restrictions:

**Passenger restriction**

I will never carry more than one passenger unless I have a supervisor 25 years or older with a valid Class 1 - 5 driver's licence. This restriction does not apply to immediate family members: mother, father, sister, brother, child, spouse, grandparent; including step and foster relationships.

**N sign**

I will display a green N (Novice) sign.

**Zero blood alcohol content**

I will never have any alcohol in my body when I drive.

*Note: The above restrictions of the Graduated Licensing Program are **minimum restrictions**.*

*Parents may wish to add their own restrictions over and above these official ones. Parents should consider enforcing the official consequences or more stringent ones if they discover that the official or family restrictions have been violated.*

**Consequences for breaking any of the above  
(over and above those imposed by the Graduated Licensing Program):**

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Parent



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Teen

**Other family driving rules:**

- To drive only \_\_\_\_\_ (*name which vehicle[s]*).
- To never let anyone else drive the \_\_\_\_\_ (*vehicle[s]*).
- To never drive the \_\_\_\_\_ (*vehicle[s]*) or any other vehicle without your permission.
- To drive only within \_\_\_\_\_ (*describe geographical area*).
- To focus on my driving and to limit the distractions within the vehicle while I am driving. This means that:
  - I will not use a cell phone while driving.
  - I will not use an MP3 player, pager or other electronic device while driving.
  - I will not use the vehicle's stereo system while driving.
  - I will not eat, drink, search through my backpack, etc., while driving.
  - I will not drive while other vehicle occupants are distracting my attention.

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 Parent  
 Teen

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**Consequences for breaking any of the above:**

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**I also agree:**

- To ask you to supervise my on-road driving practice sessions \_\_\_\_\_ (*hours/days*) in advance.
- To observe and comment on your driving and provide constructive feedback when appropriate (once you have stopped driving).
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 Teen

**Consequences for breaking any of the above:**

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Financial terms:

- To pay any additional insurance premiums that result from me driving the \_\_\_\_\_ (vehicle[s]).
- To pay \_\_\_\_% of the maintenance costs of the \_\_\_\_\_ (vehicle[s]).
- L** To pay the \$35 road test fee and the additional \$75 for a Class 7 novice photo driver’s licence. (If I don’t pass, I may take the test again after 14 days and will have to pay the \$35 fee again.)
- N** To pay the \$50 road test fee for a Class 5 licence, and the additional \$17 if my licence will expire in more than six months or \$75 if my licence will expire in six months or less. (If I don’t pass, I may take the test again after 7 days and will have to pay the \$50 fee again. If I don’t pass the second time, I’ll have to wait 14 days for another re-test.)
- To pay the deductible, increase in insurance premiums or any other costs arising out of any insurance claims that result from a crash for which I am at fault.
- To pay for any damage to the vehicle as a result of my use of it.
- To pay any fines I incur.
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Parent

Parent

Teen

**Additional consequences for having an at-fault crash, damaging the vehicle or getting fined:**

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Vehicle maintenance terms:

- To keep the interior of the \_\_\_\_\_ (vehicle[s]) clean and clear of distracting clutter.
- To wash the outside of the vehicle at least every \_\_\_\_\_ (week/month, etc.) or whenever it needs it.
- To notify you if there are any problems with the vehicle.
- \_\_\_\_\_

Parent

Parent

Teen

**Consequences for breaking any of the above:**

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For the parent(s):

I, \_\_\_\_\_ , agree:

Parent

Parent

Teen

General terms:

- To drive according to the laws at all times.
- To drive in a safe manner at all times.
- To always wear my seat belt when I am in a moving vehicle.
- Never to drive if my abilities are impaired by alcohol, drugs, anger and/or fatigue.
- To never ride with a driver whose abilities are impaired by alcohol, drugs, fatigue and/or distractions (e.g., use of a cell phone).
- To call a cab, friend or another family member if I need a safe ride home.
- To respond to your request for a safe ride home, at any hour, by picking you up or arranging a ride for you.

**General coaching terms:**

- To set a good example as a driver by following the laws and driving in a safe manner at all times.
- To listen to you when you make an observation about my driving.
- To listen to and discuss any questions you may have about driving.
- To review emergency procedures (relating to driving) with you (e.g., what to do if you have a dead battery, flat tire, etc.).
- To remain calm during your driving practice sessions and to provide constructive feedback on your driving once you have stopped driving.
- To coach and provide feedback on your progress and ability to perform:
  - Required driving maneuvers (e.g., turns, braking, parking, etc.)
  - Key driving skills
  - See-think-do skills
  - Hazard perception

*Note: For more information see Road Sense for Drivers or go to [www.icbc.com/licensing/lic\\_getlic\\_passenger\\_7test.asp](http://www.icbc.com/licensing/lic_getlic_passenger_7test.asp)*

Parent

Parent

Teen

**L Terms for coaches of learners:**

- To read through *Tuning Up for Drivers* and use it during your driving practice sessions.
- To allow you to drive the \_\_\_\_\_ (vehicle[s]) under appropriate supervision.
- To go out driving with you \_\_\_\_\_ (frequency) as your driving supervisor/coach for a minimum of \_\_\_\_\_ hours over the next year and fill in your Driver Experience Log as required. *Note: 60 hours is the required minimum. 100 hours is the recommended minimum.*
- To let you know when I think your knowledge and skills have reached the stage that you are ready to take the Class 7 road test.

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Parent

Teen

**N Terms for coaches of novices:**

- To allow you to drive the \_\_\_\_\_ (vehicle[s]) with/without appropriate supervision.
- To go out driving with you \_\_\_\_\_ (frequency) as your driving supervisor/coach for a minimum of \_\_\_\_\_ hours over the next \_\_\_\_\_ .
- To let you know when I think your knowledge, skills and abilities have reached the stage that you are ready to take the Class 5 road test.

Parent

Parent

Teen

**Signed on:**

Date	Parent or Guardian
Teenager	Parent or Guardian