

Parent/Teen Contract

Driving is a “rite of passage”. You turn 16 and you get your license. Before giving your teen the keys to the car, please make sure they know the responsibilities that come along with driving. This is an example of a contract you and your teen can agree to on their driving privileges.

Parent or Guardian Name: _____

Teen Driver Name: _____

Teen Responsibilities *(initial boxes to agree)*

	I will always wear my seat belt.
	I will obey all traffic laws at all times to ensure my safety and the safety of others.
	I will avoid distractions and will not talk on my cell phone or text while driving.
	I will only have _____ friends in my car at a time without prior approval.
	I will never exceed the posted speed limit.
	I will not drive more than _____ miles from the house without permission.
	I will not let anyone else drive the vehicle entrusted to me.
	I will let you know my plans when I take the car and will call home if those plans change.
	I will abide by my curfew of _____, but will call home if I think I will be more than _____ minutes late.
	I will not ride in a vehicle of a driver who has been drinking or using illicit drugs. If I find myself in an unsafe situation, I understand that I can call my parents for advice or a ride at any hour from any place.

Parent Responsibilities *(initial boxes to agree)*

	I will communicate openly and respectfully with my teen about their driving and the promises made within this contract.
	I will provide calm and respectful feedback when riding in a car my teen is driving.
	I will serve as a responsible role model when operating a vehicle to help teach good driving skills and habits to my teen.
	If my teen is in an uncomfortable or unsafe situation involving alcohol or illicit drugs, I agree to come and pick him/her up, regardless of the time or place. If it's not possible, I will pay for a taxi to bring my teen home safely. There will be no argument at that moment, but a discussion of such an incident will follow at a later time. Likewise, I too agree not to drive if intoxicated or ride with a friend who has been drinking or using illicit drugs.

Consequences

Example Violations	Consequences
Teen used cell phone while driving.	<input type="checkbox"/> Lose driving privileges for ___ wks/mos/yrs <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Teen got a ticket for speeding.	<input type="checkbox"/> Lose driving privileges for ___ wks/mos/yrs <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Teen didn't make all passengers wear seat belts.	<input type="checkbox"/> Lose driving privileges for ___ wks/mos/yrs <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Teen lied about where he/she was going with the car.	<input type="checkbox"/> Lose driving privileges for ___ wks/mos/yrs <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Teen came home 45 minutes late without calling.	<input type="checkbox"/> Lose driving privileges for ___ wks/mos/yrs <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Teen carried too many passengers in the car.	<input type="checkbox"/> Lose driving privileges for ___ wks/mos/yrs <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Teen used alcohol or other drugs and drove	<input type="checkbox"/> Lose driving privileges for ___ wks/mos/yrs <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

We agree to the terms of this contract. Details of this agreement can be revised at a later time.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Teen Signature

Date