

# Parent-Teen Safe Driving Agreement



I, \_\_\_\_\_, *will drive carefully and cautiously and will be courteous to other drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians at all times.*

## RULES OF THE ROAD

I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE RULES TO THE ROAD AND I PROMISE TO OBEY THEM.

AS PART OF MY COMMITMENT TO BEING A SAFE DRIVER, I WILL:

- Always wear a seatbelt and make sure my passengers are properly buckled up
- Obey all traffic lights, stop signs, other street signs, and road markings
- Stay within speed limits
- Drive according to road and weather conditions
- Only drive when I am drug- and alcohol-free
- Never be a passenger with another driver who is under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- Never allow alcohol, illegal drugs, or weapons in the car

## DISTRACTED DRIVING

I UNDERSTAND THAT DISTRACTED DRIVING IS ONE OF THE LEADING CAUSES OF COLLISION.

AS PART OF MY COMMITMENT TO BEING A VIGILANT AND FOCUSED DRIVER, I WILL:

- Drive with both eyes on the road and both hands on the wheel
- Never eat, drink, change clothes, or use a cellphone while driving
- Make all required adjustments before the vehicle is put into drive (this includes positioning the seat and mirrors)
- Drive only when I am alert and in emotional control
- Never use earphones while driving
- Speak up when someone is acting in a distracting manner, whether I am the passenger or driver
- Not allow distractions such as music or other passengers reduce my focus on driving safely

## BEING A RESPONSIBLE DRIVER

I UNDERSTAND THAT DRIVING IS A PRIVILEGE THAT COMES WITH A LOT OF RESPONSIBILITY.

AS PART OF MY COMMITMENT TO BEING A RESPONSIBLE DRIVER, I WILL:

- Drive only when I have permission to use the car and will not let anyone else drive it unless I have specific approval from the owner of the car
- Drive someone else's car only if I have permission from the owner of the car
- Respond to any charges I receive as a result of my driving behaviour
- Promptly pay for any parking tickets that I receive
- Seek medical attention for any passengers or pedestrians that are in need if I am involved in an accident
- Properly report any accident in which I am involved
- Contribute to the costs of gas, maintenance, and insurance as outlined here:

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### TEEN DRIVER

I promise to abide by the agreement outlined above. If I break any part of this contract, I will accept the consequences. During any time that I cannot drive, I will be responsible for making other arrangements to get around.

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SIGNATURE OF TEEN DRIVER

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DATE

### PARENT/GUARDIAN

I promise to do what I can to help my teenager succeed in following this contract. I promise to make time to help my child become a safe and responsible driver. I understand this is an evolving contract and promise to make myself available to discuss these rules and their consequences when necessary.

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SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

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DATE