

Drivers Education Made Easy

*A step-by-step guide for parents/new student drivers
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Step 1: Classroom Training

☐ **15-years 5-months (30 weeks before license eligibility):** Begin the 24-hour classroom portion of a Driver's Education Course now, before obtaining a Temporary Permit. *Benefit: Students will develop good habits right away while motivation and focus are high.*

☐ **15-years 6-months (26 weeks before license eligibility):** Study the Digest of Ohio Motor Vehicle Laws. Your teen must now pass a Vision Exam (glasses/contacts) and a computerized Temporary Permit Knowledge Test (must score at least 75%).

• **When under 18:** Original Temporary Permit must be purchased 6 months (26 weeks) before eligible for driving exam.

• **Contact your Insurance Company:** Let them know that your teen has obtained a Temporary Learner's Permit and is ready to drive. The Temporary Permit must be carried at all times when driving.

• **Students under 16:** May drive with a parent, legal guardian or licensed driving instructor ONLY.

• **Students 16 and over:** May drive with any licensed driver 21 or older. (parent approved).

• **GDL Laws** require 50 hours of driving be completed with a parent or legal guardian.

• You may consider a passenger side brake, like the pros use (your going to be pushing anyway... might as well have there).



Step 2: In-car Training

☐ **After completing the classroom training:** Schedule the in-car instruction with your driving school. 8-hours of instruction are required by law. These sessions are usually completed in four 2-hour sessions.

☐ **15-years 11-months:** Ensure all in-car lessons have been completed with your teen's driving school.

☐ Obtain a Drivers Education Certificate and retain it in a safe place.

☐ **15-years 11 1/2-months:** Contact any Driver Exam (DX) Station and schedule your teen's maneuverability & driving exam. Or go to www.OhioDrivingTest.com

Getting a new driver's license should be exciting and liberating for parents *and* students. With just a little preparation, you can ensure the training process goes smoothly and with little time wasted.

Step 3: Examination

☐ Make sure test vehicle adheres to the Digest of Ohio Motor Vehicle Laws.

☐ **On test day, your teen will need:**

- State Issued Permit
- Drivers Education Certificate
- Vehicle Description Sheet - listing the Color, Make, and License Plate Number of the car they will be testing in.

☐ **16-Years (and at least 6-months after obtaining temporary drivers permit):** Take the Maneuverability & Driving Exam.

☐ **After passing both tests:** Probationary License may be purchased. At this point they will need a 50-hour Affidavit (this must be notarized!) - get form here: <http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/bmv5791.pdf>

• **Call your Insurance Company.** Inform them that your teen is now a licensed driver!

• **Enroll you and your student** in an advanced driving seminar like Car Control Clinic at 800-862-3277 or www.carcontrol.com or Mid-Ohio School <http://www.midohio.com/School/Courses/Defensive-Driving>