

Graduated Driver License Requirements for Teen Drivers

From the GDL Bill (HB 2143)

“any person who held any valid restricted class C or class M driver’s license, instruction permit, restricted instruction permit or farm permit on the effective date of this act may continue to operate motor vehicles subject to the conditions, limitations and restrictions contained in KSA 8-237, 8-239 and 8-296, and amendments thereto, as in effect on December 31, 2009.”

To correctly determine how the Graduated Driver’s License law will affect you as a teenager, you must first answer this question –

- Did you obtain an instruction permit, farm permit or restricted license prior to January 1 2010?
 - If the answer to that question is Yes – the GDL requirements do not apply to you
 - If the answer to that question is No – then all of the new requirements and restrictions that take effect on January 1 2010 are what apply to you (shown in the chart on the next 3 pages)

Graduated Driver Licensing Guidelines - Effective 01/01/2010

Instruction Permit - 14, 15 & 16 year olds	
Age	Minimum 14 years old
Testing Required	Vision Written - or certificate of completion from driver education
Parental Approval Required	Yes for 14 and 15 year olds
Driver Education Required	No
Driving Restrictions	Licensed adult in front seat at all times - minimum age 21
Wireless Restriction	No use of wireless communication devices except to report illegal activity or to summons medical or emergency help
Passenger Restriction	No
Time Required to be held	1 year to advance to restricted license

Instruction Permit - 17 & up	
Age	Minimum 17 years old
Testing Required	Vision Written - or certificate of completion from driver education
Parental Approval Required	No
Driver Education Required	No
Driving Restrictions	Licensed adult in front seat at all times - minimum age 21
Wireless Restriction	No
Passenger Restriction	No
Time Required to be held	None

Farm Permit - 14 & 15 year olds	
Age	Minimum 14 years old but less than 16
Testing Required	Vision Written & Drive - or certificate of completion from driver education
Parental Approval Required	Yes
Farm Affidavit Required	Yes
Driver Education Required	No
Instruction Permit Required	No
50 Hour Affidavit Required	No - must provide prior to 16 to move to lesser restrictions
Driving Restrictions	To or from farm job, employment or other farm related work To or from school Anytime/anywhere with licensed adult
Wireless Restriction	No use of wireless communication devices except to report illegal activity or to summons medical or emergency help
Passenger Restriction	May not transport any non-sibling minor passengers
Time Required to be held	At 16 will move to less restricted privileges if 50 hour affidavit has been turned in

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Less Restricted Farm Permit Privileges - 16 year old	
Age	Minimum 16 years old but less than 17
Testing Required	Vision Written & Drive - or certificate of completion from driver education
Parental Approval Required	No
Driver Education Required	No
Instruction Permit Required	No
50 Hour Affidavit Required	Yes
Driving Restrictions	Anywhere from 5am to 9pm Anytime to or from farm job, employment or other farm related work Anytime going to or from authorized school activities Anytime/anywhere with licensed adult
Wireless Restriction	No use of wireless communication devices except to report illegal activity or to summons medical or emergency help
Passenger Restriction	No more than one non-sibling passenger under the age of 18
Time Required to be held	6 months - after licensee has held the restricted Farm Permit for 6 months or until age 17, whichever occurs first, if they have complied with all laws the restrictions will no longer apply

Restricted License - 15 year old	
Age	Minimum 15 years old but less than 16
Testing Required	Vision
Parental Approval Required	Yes
Driver Education Required	Yes
Instruction Permit Required	Yes - must have held at least 1 year
50 Hour Affidavit Required	No - at 15 must have at least 25 hours; must provide 50 prior to 16 to move to lesser restrictions
Driving Restrictions	To or from work To or from school Anytime/anywhere with licensed adult
Wireless Restriction	No use of wireless communication devices except to report illegal activity or to summons medical or emergency help
Passenger Restriction	May not transport any non-sibling minor passengers
Time Required to be held	At 16 will move to less restricted privileges if 50 hour affidavit has been turned in, and maintains a satisfactory driving record

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Less Restricted Privileges - 16 year old	
Age	Minimum 16 years old but less than 17
Testing Required	Vision Written & Drive - or certificate of completion from driver education
Parental Approval Required	No
Driver Education Required	No
Instruction Permit Required	Yes - must have held at least 1 year
50 Hour Affidavit Required	Yes
Driving Restrictions	Anywhere from 5am to 9pm Anytime going to or from work Anytime going to or from authorized school activities Anytime/anywhere with licensed adult
Wireless Restriction	No use of wireless communication devices except to report illegal activity or to summons medical or emergency help
Passenger Restriction	No more than one non-sibling passenger under the age of 18
Time Required to be held	6 months - after licensee has held the restricted DL for 6 months or until age 17, whichever occurs first, if they have complied with all laws the restrictions will no longer apply

UnRestricted License	
Age	Minimum 17 years old
Testing Required	Vision Written & Drive - or certificate of completion from driver education
Parental Approval Required	No
Driver Education Required	No
Instruction Permit Required	No
50 Hour Affidavit Required	Yes if 17; No if 18 or older
Driving Restrictions	None
Wireless Restriction	No
Passenger Restriction	No
Time Required to be held	None