



TEEN DRIVER SAFETY WEEK

Oct. 15 – 21, 2023

TIPS TO KEEP TEEN DRIVERS SAFE

Limit Passengers:

When a teen driver has their friends in the car, the risk of a crash increases dramatically! Two additional passengers increase the risk of a crash by 158%.



Pay Attention:

It only takes a second of driver inattention to trigger a fatal outcome. Scanning the road ahead helps you remain alert and be prepared for hazards or traffic conditions.



Buckle Up:

Using a safety belt is one of the most effective ways to save lives and reduce injuries in crashes. Encourage your teens to buckle up every trip, every time.



Obey Posted Speed Limits:

Speed is a factor in more than 33% of all fatal teen crashes. By paying attention and obeying all posted speed limits, we can all greatly reduce the likelihood of being involved in a crash.



Eliminate

Distractions:

It's just not worth the risk! That text, TikTok or email can wait. Instead, focus on driving, or pull over to a safe location if you must interact with your phone.



Restrict Nighttime Driving:

Reduced visibility, inexperience, and driver drowsiness are all factors that make driving at night more dangerous for teens.

Graduated Driver Licensing ensures teens drive during less dangerous hours until they have gained more experience on the road.



Curfew restrictions apply during nighttime driving hours for all licensed teens aged 16 & 17.

Never Drive Impaired:

Drugs and alcohol can alter your ability, perception, attention, coordination, reaction time, and other skills needed to drive alert and safe. Never ride with an impaired driver and always have a plan to get home safe!



Parents, make sure your teen knows they can count on you for a safe ride!

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