WHAT IS A PARENT/TEEN DRIVING AGREEMENT?
It’s a formal agreement between a parent and teen driver that explains driving privileges and responsibilities. The agreement includes elements of the Utah Graduated Driver Licensing Law (GDL).

I PROMISE THAT I WILL OBEY ALL THE RULES OF THE ROAD.
• Always wear a seat belt and make my passengers buckle up.
• Obey all traffic lights, stop signs, other street signs and road markings.
• Stay within the posted speed limit.

I PROMISE THAT I WILL STAY FOCUSED ON DRIVING.
• Drive with both hands on the wheel.
• Never use a cell phone while driving.
• Never drive when I am tired or drowsy.
• Control my emotions when I am behind the wheel, I’ll never drive when I am upset or angry.
• Call my parents for a ride home if I am impaired in any way (such as illicit drugs, prescription drugs or alcohol).
• Never eat food, put on makeup or use earphones while I drive.

I PROMISE I WILL RESPECT LAWS ABOUT DRUGS AND ALCOHOL.
• Drive only when I am alcohol- and drug-free.
• Never allow any alcohol or illegal drugs in the car.
• Only get in cars where the driver is alcohol- and drug-free.

I PROMISE THAT I WILL BE A RESPONSIBLE DRIVER.
• Don’t drive (or allow anyone else to drive) the car without permission.
• Pay for all traffic citations or parking tickets.
• Abide by rules set by parents as listed here:
I AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS, BUT UNDERSTAND THAT THESE RESTRICTIONS WILL BE MODIFIED BY MY PARENTS AS I GET MORE DRIVING EXPERIENCE AND DEMONSTRATE THAT I AM A RESPONSIBLE DRIVER.

• Promise to follow the Utah Graduated Drivers Licensing Laws.
• Penalties for agreement violations:
  ° Drove after drinking alcohol or using drugs. No driving for _______ months.
  ° Got a ticket for speeding or other moving violation. No driving for _______ months.
  ° Drove after night driving curfew. No driving for _______ weeks/months.
  ° Drove with too many passengers. No driving for _______ weeks/months.
  ° Drove without proper restraint. No driving for _______ weeks/months.
  ° Used a cell phone while driving. No driving for _______ weeks/months.
  ° Other penalties: _______________________________________________________________

I PROMISE TO FOLLOW ALL THE RULES AND RESTRICTIONS IN THIS AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT DRIVING IS A PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT. I UNDERSTAND THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR MY DRIVING ACTIONS. I UNDERSTAND THAT MY PARENTS WILL IMPOSE PENALTIES, INCLUDING REMOVAL OF MY DRIVING PRIVILEGES, IF I VIOLATE OUR AGREEMENT. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT MY PARENTS WILL ALLOW ME GREATER DRIVING PRIVILEGES AS I BECOME MORE EXPERIENCED AND AS I DEMONSTRATE THAT I AM ALWAYS A SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE DRIVER.

Driver: _________________________________________________ Date:___________________

AS A PARENT, I PROMISE TO:
• Teach you how to drive with patience and support.
• Be a positive role model by driving safely and following the laws myself.
• Enforce the Utah Graduated Driver Licensing Laws (see DontDriveStupid.com).
• Establish a schedule of training and provide you with the 40 hours of supervised driving practice, including 10 hours at night and in different weather conditions on different types of roads.
• Pick you up or arrange for a safe ride home, regardless of the situation or time you may call.
• Consider your requests for changes to our agreement with respect and careful consideration.
• Be involved in your driving.

Parent: _________________________________________________ Date:___________________

Parent: _________________________________________________ Date:___________________

For more tips on teaching your teen to drive safely, GDL laws or to see examples of additional Parent-Teen Driving Agreements, visit zerofatalities.com/dont-drive-stupid/parents.

Adapted from the American Academy of Pediatrics “Parent-Teen Driving Agreement”, CDC “Parents are the Key” and California “Parent-Teen Driving Agreement”.