

# Guide for New Teen Drivers

Utah Driver Education  
Learner Permit Information



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## Graduated Driver Licensing Laws at the Learner Permit Stage:

- You must be at least 15 years old.
- Teens under age 18 must have a learner permit for at least six months before applying for a driver license. However, if the teen turns 18 during this six-month time period, they can apply for a driver license upon turning 18.
- Teens must complete at least 40 hours of practice drive time. At least 10 of those hours must be at night before applying for a driver license.
- Teens must be at least 16 before applying for a driver license.

The Utah Driver License Division (DLD) and driver education instructors recommend that you have a learner permit prior to taking a driver education course. You must have a learner permit to complete the in-car requirements of the course. Completion of a driver education course is required to obtain your Utah driver license for anyone 18 years of age and younger.



Learn the rules of the road and begin studying for the written exam. Download the Utah Driver Handbook found at

**[ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit](https://ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit)**  
or scan the QR code

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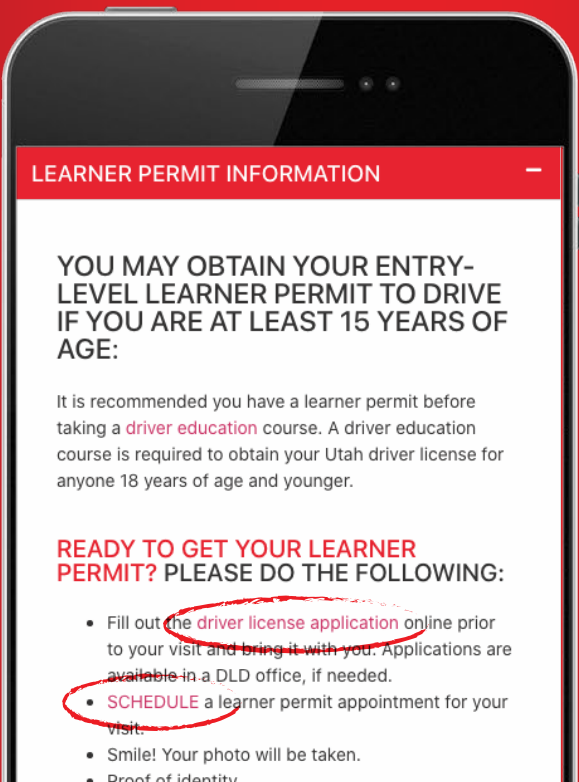


## Schedule an Appointment

- Go to [ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit](https://ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit)
- Fill out the application. Applications are available in a DLD office, if needed.
- Schedule an appointment at the Driver License Division.

## Proof of Identity (Items Needed)

- The following items must be presented at the Driver License Division when applying for a learner permit or any driver license:
  - Name and date of birth (certified birth certificate or a passport).
  - Social Security card.
  - Proof of Utah residency. If under age 18, proof of residence can be mail that is sent to your parent/legal guardian's address.
- A parent or guardian of applicants under 18 must sign for financial responsibility.
- Submit a nonrefundable fee of \$19.00.



## Testing

- Pass a 50-question written knowledge test.
  - Utah Driver Handbook is available at [ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit](https://www.ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit).
  - If an applicant does not pass the written knowledge test within three attempts, a new application should be submitted with a \$19.00 fee.
- Pass the vision test.

### When the learner permit holder is driving:

- The learner permit must be in the applicant's immediate possession.
- An approved driving instructor, parent or legal guardian who is licensed, is occupying the seat beside the applicant.
- The responsible adult who signed for financial responsibility, who is a licensed driver, is occupying the seat beside the applicant.

### 18 years and older: the learner permit entitles you to operate a motor vehicle only if:

- A person 21 years of age or older, who must be a licensed driver, is occupying the seat beside the applicant.
- The learner permit is in the applicant's immediate possession.



# Teaching Your Teen to Drive

Parents, inexperience behind the wheel is the number one reason teen drivers get into crashes. For teens to become safe and responsible drivers, they need to develop a range of critical driving skills.

These skills are learned during the 40 hours of required drive time completed while they have their learner permit.

Zero Fatalities provides research-based resources\* to help you teach your teen safe driving skills, including:

- **Short videos:** six different driving environments.
- **Goal guide:** reach driving goals in specific areas.
- **Logging and rating tools:** track practice by environment and record where teens need more work.

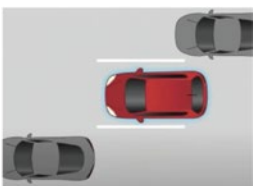
Begin by watching the videos together at [ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit](https://ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit) and once your teen has obtained their learner permit, take it to the road.



Parking Lots



Residential Roads



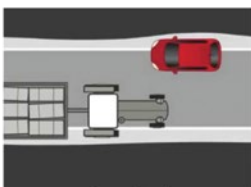
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Commercial Roads



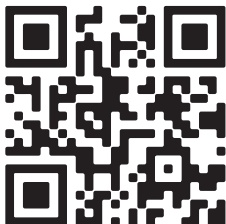
Highways



Country Roads

For more information about getting your learner permit and free resources for parents, please visit [ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit](https://ZeroFatalities.com/learner-permit) or scan the QR code

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Text "Drive" to **435-710-7373** for biweekly text messages that will help you teach your teen the skills needed to avoid the critical errors that are common with new drivers. You can opt out at any time by texting "STOP" to the same number.

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