



HELPFUL NEW DRIVER INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

North Carolina law permits your student to obtain a learner's permit (level #1) provided he/she is already 15 years old. This permit will be issued for 18 months but student is required to drive using this permit for 12 months. After using this permit for at least 12 months, he/she can go back to the driver license office and get a daytime-only license (level #2). A daytime-only license will allow him/her to drive between the hours of 5am and 9pm without a parent(s) being in the car. After 6 months on level #2, he/she can obtain a regular (level #3) license.

When you take your student to the driver license office, please take with you the following:

- Driver education certificate that was issued by the driver education teacher.
- Original birth certificate or a certified copy of the original. The driver license office will not accept a hospital copy, mother's copy, or a photocopy.
- Original Social Security card (cannot be laminated) or a legal Visa.
- **INDIVIDUAL TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (ITIN) NO LONGER ACCEPTED.**
- **Driver License Eligibility Certificate. This certificate can be obtained in the principal's office of student's school. Parent must accompany student to principal's office in order to sign. Home School students must request this certificate from the Division of Non-Public Schools. Private school students will obtain such certificate from their school principal.**
- To be eligible for this certificate, student must
 - Have completed all parts of driver education (certificate in hand)
 - Have passed at least 70% of subjects in the previous semester, and
 - Have a parent/guardian to sign

Please remember that a level #1 driver (permit) must be supervised when driving at all times. This supervisor can be a parent, guardian, or any person with a license who has at least 5 years of driving experience provided such person has the approval of the parent/guardian.



Also remember that:

- To obtain a learner's permit, a person must meet DMV requirements for identification and residency. For such requirements consult the DMV Driver Handbook.
- Only a parent or guardian can sign for a North Carolina Learner's Permit
- Cost of permit is \$15.00
- Permit must be in the car at all times when level #1 driver is the operator
- Level #1 – no limit on passengers
- Level #2 – only 1 person under age 21 permitted in car with level #2 driver

We have attempted to equip your student with the necessary knowledge, attitudes and skills for becoming a successful entry-level driver. Please remember that he/she will continue to grow as a driver. Our best wishes to you and your student as you enter this exciting phase of learning.