

1st CHOICE DRIVING ACADEMY

PARENT TEEN CONTRACT

ADDENDUM I

The purpose of this contract is to provide a link between the Driver Education School, the parents or guardians and the student driver. As instructors of the Defensive Drivers Education Course, it is our responsibility to inform the students on the summary of the laws, rules and safe driving practices that apply to all persons who drive a vehicle in the state of Colorado. The Colorado Driver Handbook is a summary on current laws, legislation and department policies and is subject to change. It is not a book of laws and should not be used as a basis for any legal claims or actions, and does not supersede Colorado Revised Statutes.

It is very important that the parents or guardians read the handbook to refresh themselves of the new changes concerning student drivers. It is of utmost importance that parent or guardians help to reinforce the correct methods of driving techniques taught by the school.

Schedule drives as requested by 1st Choice Driving Academy. Be prepared to drive, permit and driving log must be present, or drive will be canceled and student will be charged for the next drive.

The following are some of the items that the parent/guardian and student should follow.

1. All occupants must wear seat belts, adjust seat and mirrors correctly.
2. Adhere to posted speed limits, depending on conditions (weather, construction etc.)
3. Signals proper distance (4-5 seconds under 40 mph 100 ft., over 40 mph 200 ft.)
4. Complete stops behind pedestrian cross areas (no grazing, **red means stop**) if your view is blocked you can pull forward after you make a complete stop. Use proper scanning Left, Right, and Left.
5. Lane position (center of their lane). Read the road markings, signs and make adjustment in a timely manner.
6. Lane changes (signal, check mirrors, and look over shoulder, go if it is safe to do so). The shared turn lane should be treated as a lane change however; it is not to be used as a passing lane.
7. Read road signs (student should be asked what the sign means, and what they should do or be aware of).
8. Stops and starts should be smooth and student should check mirror prior to stopping.
9. Search areas left, right, left ahead prior to entering an intersection (use the ground viewing, watch students eyes they should be looking LEFT, RIGHT, LEFT and scanning ahead). Visual control zone 12-15 sec., Visual scan 20-30 sec., use ground-viewing skills.
10. Proper steering the push/pull, grip/slide method if you have air bags. No air bags hand over hand method is acceptable. NO palming, one handed steering or under handed turns. Hands should be at 9:00 and 3:00 with air bags or 10:00 and 2:00 without air bags.
11. Know the difference between aggressive and defensive driving.
12. Parent should to give clear directions as far in advance as possible.

CODE OF CONDUCT

13. Proper attire must be worn at all times.
14. Any damage to text books will be the responsibility of the student. Replacement cost of textbooks will incur a charge of \$45.
15. Improper language will not be tolerated in the classroom.
16. Food, soft drinks or water is allowed only if the container has a lid and all trash is disposed of in a trash can.
17. Cell phones, CD players or IPod's must be silenced during class. If disruptive students will turn over electronics to instructor to be retrieved after class.
18. No video or audio recording of classes is permitted.
19. Conversations in the classroom must be limited to answering questions by the instructor, unless we are working on a group project.
20. No smoking in the facility or within 50' of the facility.
21. Provide 24 hours notice if you need to cancel or reschedule your lesson. Late cancellations will result in a rescheduling fee.

Parents and students should talk about the expectations of both parties. Student should have an understanding of the do's and don'ts. Review problems you see or experience in a calm manner. Student needs to try to understand and correct these issues. Parent and student need to listen to each other. And discuss proper techniques to be used.

The parent/guardian and student have read and understand that the items listed are a brief list of concerns. Good habits and techniques are essential to defensive driving. At anytime if parents have questions or concerns please feel free to contact the school, 303-654-8277.

Parent signature _____ Students signature _____.

Date _____