



CAA believes that taking the wheel of a family vehicle for the first time is an important event that deserves a family conversation—where parents and teens come to a mutual understanding of their rights and responsibilities.

Everyone has rules to follow when they drive. Apart from traffic laws, there are also respectful and considerate ways of driving that every driver is expected to follow.

Your family may also have its own rules for the road. Work these out ahead of time, together. You can write your own family driving agreement or use the following sample:

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***We, Both Parent(s) and Teen, Agree To:***

- Follow the conditions of our licences and the rules of the road.
- Display good driving behavior like not looking at phones while driving and not driving when angry or tired.
- Never drive while under the influence of alcohol or other drugs, ride with a driver who has been using alcohol or drugs, or ride in a car with people using drugs or alcohol.
- Avoid taking unnecessary risks like driving in bad weather.
- Sit down together and have a respectful conversation if either of us feels something in this agreement is not being followed.

***As a PARENT, I Further Agree To:***

- Be available at any time to respond to a call or text.
- Clearly communicate when I need the vehicle.
- Let you know in advance my expectations for paying for gas, washing the vehicle and any other upkeep issues.

***As a NEW DRIVER, I Further Agree To:***

- Tell you ahead of time where I'm going, who any passengers will be and when I'll be home.
- Call or text home if my plans change.
- Call or text home if I'm going to be more than \_\_\_\_ minutes late.
- Call or text home if I can't get back safely and need a ride from an adult.

Show Your Commitment. Sign your family driving agreement to make it official.

***We understand and agree with this Family Driving Agreement:***

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***Parent Signature(s)***

***Date***

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***Teen Signature(s)***

***Date***