



Our mission is to educate new drivers, parents with children of ALL ages, teachers and grade 4 thru 8 school students about traffic safety and the deadly problems associated with the growing US distracted driving epidemic. Education is the key to improving knowledge and driving safety in the US.

Take your student on a long "test" ride. As you ride, check your teenager's driving against the checklist below. Be sure that your new driver is following the safe driving habits listed here. Check each item you see your youngster doing correctly. This list should tell you where your student driver still needs practice or help. Your teenager should, as a habit, do all of these things before taking the driving skills test.

Activity/Criteria	Yes	No	N/A
Starting			
1. Adjusts/checks mirrors			
2. Fastens safety belt			
Moving Forward			
1. Looks over shoulder before pulling into traffic			
2. Uses signals			
3. Uses both hands on opposite sides of the steering wheel			
Stopping			
1. Stops when necessary behind crosswalk or limit line			
2. Uses correct foot on brake pedal			
Turning			

1. Slows for turns			
2. Begins and ends turn in correct lane			
3. Yields right-of-way when necessary			
4. Accepts legal right-of-way when safe			
5. Sees and reacts to hazards			

N/A = Not Applicable

Activity/Criteria	Yes	No	N/A
Backing			
1. Looks back over right shoulder when backing			
Changing Lanes			
1. Signals			
2. Checks mirrors			
4. Checks over shoulder			
5. Changes lanes safely			
Hill Parking			
1. Signals			
2. Curbs wheel properly			
3. Sets parking brake			

4. Signals and checks over shoulder before entering traffic			
Parallel Parking			
1. Signals			
2. Looks over shoulder			
3. Yields to other vehicles when necessary			
Driving on Freeway			
1. Checks traffic flow			
2. Times entry into freeway			
3. Checks over shoulder as he/she accelerates into gap in traffic			
4. Signals early and brakes on exit ramp			
5. Adjust speed to road conditions			

Activity/Criteria	Yes	No	N/A
Defensive Driving Techniques			
1. Checks mirrors before braking			
2. Checks cross streets before entering			

3. Checks signals and signs			
4. Keeps eyes “moving” (watches side and middle of road)			
5. Keeps a “space cushion” around the car			
6. Follows at a safe distance			