

INTERMEDIATE DRIVER LICENSE (IDL) GUIDLINES

RCW 46.20.075

Note: DOL Driver History Check will show current restrictions

From Issue date Until age 18:	First six months	After six months until age 18
Restrictions on Passengers:	No passengers under age 20 except immediate family members	No more than 3 passengers under age 20 except immediate family members
Restrictions on Hours of Driving:	No driving between 1 a.m. and 5 a.m. unless accompanied by parent, guardian or licensed driver at least age 25	No driving between 1 a.m. and 5 a.m. unless accompanied by parent, guardian or licensed driver at least age 25
Restrictions on Cell Phone Use:	Teens with intermediate driver license or learner permits may not use a wireless device at all while driving, including hands-free devices, unless they are reporting an emergency	

EXCEPTIONS:

- No restrictions on hours of driving or passengers if IDL holder is driving for agricultural purposes.
- No restrictions on hours of driving or passengers if after twelve months IDL holder is not involved in a collision or has not been convicted of, or found to have committed a traffic offense.

PENALTIES:

- **Conviction of First Traffic Offense or IDL Violation:** Court fine and Warning Letter sent to parent or guardian
- **Conviction of Second Traffic Offense or IDL Violation:** Court fine and for six months suspension or until age 18, Notice of Suspension sent to parent or guardian
- **Conviction of Third Traffic Offense or IDL Violation:** Court fine and suspension until 18, Notice of suspension sent to parent or guardian

HOW TO GET AN INTERMEDIATE DRIVER LICENSE:

- Must be 16-18 years old
- Must have completed an approved driver-training course
- Must have permit and be driving for six months
- Must pass a DOL Knowledge test
- Must pass a DOL Skills test
- Must drive at least 50 hours before testing with at least 10 hours driving at night**

**Washington State Law requires teens to complete at least 50 hours of driving practice, 10 of which must be done at night. This will help them gain more experience behind-the-wheel in a variety of situations, helping them to become better drivers. Please note that the 50 hours are in addition to any time spent driving with us. All 50 hours must be spent with parent and/or driver who have been licensed for a minimum of 5 years.

The following chart is provided to you courtesy of Safety First Driving School and can be used to record the 50 hours of practice time that your teenager must complete before obtaining a driver's license. This chart is designed solely for your convenience as a means to track hours driving with your teen. For more information about the Washington Intermediate Driver License and parent guide, please visit the Department of Licensing web page at <http://www.dol.wa.gov/driverslicense/teens.html>.

