

Drivers License

In 2009 Kansas approved a graduated driver license (GDL) system for new drivers under the age of 17. The GDL aims to decrease the number of teenagers injured or killed in car accidents each year by instigating safer driving practices for teens, such as not allowing teens to use cell phones while driving and place limits on teens driving after 9 pm.

Licensing Process:

Age 14:

- Obtain an instructional permit at the Division of Motor Vehicles
- Process:
 1. Pass Vision Test
 2. Pass Written Test
 3. Take Birth Certificate
 4. Take Social Security Card
 5. Parent signs for permit
- Parents (someone at least 21 years old) practice drive student
- Good areas: country, residential, West Wichita, etc.

Age 15:

- Obtain a Restricted Class C License
- Process:
 1. Have an instructional permit for **one year**
 2. Have completed 25 hours of practice driving
 3. **Must Pass Driver Education**
 4. Pass Vision Test at Division of Motor Vehicles
- May drive to and from school and work
- May drive with an adult (at least age 21) in front seat who holds a license

Age 16:

- Continue on with Restricted Class C License
- May drive between 5am to 9pm
- Complete 50 hours of practice (10 of the 50 hrs must be at night)
- May drive with an adult (at least age 21) in front seat who holds a license
- One non-immediate family member (less than 18 years of age) is allowed

Age 16 ½:

- No restrictions if all prior requirements have been met and no infractions have occurred in the previous 6 months.

Age 17:

- Full License

OR

- Did not have Instruction Permit or Restricted License
- Must pass vision, written, and driving test at DMV
- Signed affidavit by parent stating you have had 50 hours of supervised driving practice with 10 hours of night driving