

# Welcome to Top Driver

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# **CUSTOMER POLICIES**

Thank you for choosing Top Driver for your teen's driver education. Your enrollment in Top Driver constitutes your agreement to these Policies. PLEASE READ THEM CAREFULLY. This document shall constitute the entire contract between Top Driver and the student and no verbal assurances or promises not contained herein shall bind Top Driver or the student. All disputes should be directed to the Secretary of State.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Parents bear the responsibility for the timely drop off and pick up of students for class and In-Vehicle lessons at the pickup and drop-off locations designated in their Top Driver "Signals" account. Top Driver instructors are not responsible for staying with students before or after class or In-Vehicle lessons. Students are not permitted to remain in the classroom after class without instructor supervision.

On occasion Top Driver will use photos, videos and other digital media in publications, on our website and on social media in order to promote our programs and initiatives. By acknowledging this Customer Policy document, parents authorize Top Driver to edit, alter, copy, exhibit, publish or distribute these photos for such lawful purposes.

## CLASSROOM TRAINING

The Secretary of State requires:

- 1. A student must be 15 years old by the last class session to enroll in a class.
- 2. A student must complete 30 hours of classroom training.
- 3. A student may miss a maximum of four (4) days of class but ALL missed classes must be made up. Please call Customer Service at 800-374-8373 to register for all makeup classes. If a student misses more than four classroom days the student is considered "dropped" and must reenroll, retake the entire course and pay a reinstatement fee of \$200. Missing more than 10 minutes of class is considered an absence for the class day. Any deviation from the original class dates or times is considered a missed class.
- 4. A minimum grade of 75% on the final exam held during the last class is required to satisfactorily pass Classroom Training. Students not achieving this grade after 2 attempts must repeat the classroom training and pay a \$200 reinstatement fee.
- 5. Classroom rules are discussed on the first day of class. Parents will be notified the first time a student fails to follow these rules. Subsequent violations may lead to expulsion, which will result in forfeiture of all amounts paid to date and cancellation of the student's learner's permit.

### **IN-VEHICLE TRAINING**

The Top Driver classroom instructor will issue a Permit Application on Day 1 of class. Students may schedule In-Vehicle lessons on or after their first scheduled class session once they have their learner's permit and have paid in full. Lessons are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis.

- 24-hour notice is required to reschedule or cancel an In-Vehicle lesson. A \$40 rescheduling fee will be charged if we do not receive appropriate notice. If a student is not present after 10 minutes from the scheduled start time this constitutes a "no show" and the account will be subject to a \$40 rescheduling fee. According to Illinois state law, students MUST have their ORIGINAL driving permit with them for all In-Vehicle lessons. A copy or image of the permit is not acceptable. Students arriving for an In-Vehicle lesson without their permit will have their lesson cancelled and will be assessed a rescheduling fee.
- 2. All In-Vehicle training must be completed within 9 months from the first day of class (the "Completion Date"). This is a Secretary of State requirement. In-Vehicle training scheduled after the Completion Date will be subject to an additional \$150 fee. Students MUST pass an In-Vehicle evaluation in order to be eligible for the Secretary of State Certificate of Completion.
- 3. To allow time for the student to practice key skills with a parent or other adult, Top Driver recommends at least eight (8) days between In-Vehicle lessons. Unless designated otherwise on Top Driver "Signals", all In-Vehicle training starts and ends at the Top Driver Education Center.
- 4. If required, students must wear their glasses or contacts during In-Vehicle lessons. Students are required to wear closed-toe shoes during driving lessons for safety reasons no flip flops or "Ugg-type" boots are to be worn.
- 5. A student may be driving in the vehicle with the instructor by him/herself or there may be up to two other students in the vehicle. Please allow time for the student to be dropped off <u>after</u> the scheduled end of training (up to 15 minutes) to allow for pickup and drop-off of other students.

#### **PAYMENT**

Payment in full is required to enroll online. Top Driver accepts all major credit cards. Payments in full is also required to schedule In-Vehicle training. Failure to pay in full by the first scheduled day of class will result in an additional \$25 fee.

Top Driver will not refund any fee, tuition, charge or any part thereof should we be willing and able to fulfill our part of the agreement. Any class changes requested by a customer such as, but not limited to, transfers, changing start date and changing class time <u>after</u> the first day of the class session are subject to a \$200 non-refundable fee.