

Michigan Driver's License Teen Checklist

1. DRIVER EDUCATION – SEGMENT 1

At 14 years, 8 months a student can enroll in Segment 1 of a driver education program at an approved school such as Top Driver.

- Segment 1 driver education includes:
 - ❑ 24 hours of classroom instruction.
 - ❑ 6 hours of private behind-the-wheel instruction.
 - ❑ 4 hours behind-the-wheel observation.
 - ❑ Scoring at least 70% on a written state test administered by an approved driver education school such as Top Driver.
- The student will receive a Green Segment 1 Certificate of Completion after successfully completing the course.

2. LEARNER'S LICENSE – LEVEL 1

To receive a Level 1 License, a student must be 14 years, 9 months and obtain a Level 1 License application.

- To obtain a Level 1 License application bring all of the following to a branch office of the Secretary of State:
 - ❑ Green Segment 1 Certificate of Completion.
 - ❑ Certified copy of a birth certificate (not a hospital certificate).
 - ❑ A completed Level 1 License application signed by a parent or guardian.
 - ❑ A letter granting permission signed by a parent or guardian.
 - ❑ A Social Security card.
 - ❑ Student must also pass a vision test and meet minimum physical and mental standards.

OTHER FACTS

- A student may only drive with a licensed parent/guardian or a designated adult 21 years of age or older.
- Parent/guardian/designated adult must sit in the front seat.
- If driving with a designated adult, the student should carry a signed letter of authorization from parent/guardian.
- There is no fee for a Level 1 License.
- We recommend obtaining a Road Skills Test Study Guide at the Secretary of State office.



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3. DRIVER EDUCATION – SEGMENT 2

- Segment 2 driver education includes:
 - 6 hours of classroom instruction.
 - Student will receive a white Segment 2 Certificate of Completion after successfully completing the course.
 - Scoring at least 70% on a written state test administered by an approved driver education school such as Top Driver.

OTHER FACTS

To attend Segment 2 driver education:

- A student must have completed at least 30 hours of driving including at least 2 hours of night driving.
 - The 30 hours cannot include the 6 hours provided with driver education.
- A minimum of 90 days must pass from the day the student obtains his or her Level 1 License.

4. ROAD TEST

- To receive a Level 2 License, a student must successfully pass a road test after:
 - Completing a minimum 50 hours of supervised driving, including a minimum of 10 hours of night driving.
 - Holding a Level 1 License for a minimum of 180 days.
 - Scheduling the road test with an independent testing agency approved by the Secretary of State.
 - A list of agencies can be found at www.sos.state.mi.us/bbos/3rdpt/index.html, or by calling us at Top Driver.
- The student must bring the following to the road test:
 - White Segment 2 Certificate of Completion.
 - A driving log documenting a minimum of 50 hours of supervised driving; the driving log can be found in the "Road Skills Test Study Guide" or can be provided by Top Driver.
 - The Level 1 License.
 - A valid Vehicle Registration and a Proof of Insurance Certificate (insurance bills and receipts are not accepted).
 - The required fee.
- Student will receive a Road Skills Test Certificate upon successfully passing the test.



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5. DRIVER'S LICENSE – LEVEL 2 (GRADUATED)

To test for and receive his or her Level 2 (Graduated) Driver's License, a student must:

- Be at least 16 years of age.
- Have completed Segments 1 and 2 of an approved driver education program.
- Have possessed a Level 1 License for 180 days.
- Be violation and suspension free, and have no at-fault crashes during the 90 days prior to applying for a Level 2 License.
- Pass a vision test.
- Meet minimum physical and medical licensing standards.
- Have a parent/guardian or responsible adult sign the application to certify the minimum 50 hours of behind-the-wheel experience.
- Bring the following to the Secretary of State branch office on the testing day:
 - The Level 1 License.
 - The Road Skills Test Certificate.
 - The required fee (cash, check or money order—no credit cards accepted).

OTHER FACTS

- Between 12:00 AM and 5:00 AM, a student must drive with a licensed adult 21 years of age or older unless driving to/from employment.

6. OPERATOR'S LICENSE – LEVEL 3

- To receive a Level 3 Operator's License, a student must:
 - Be at least 17 years of age.
 - Have held a Level 2 License for 180 days.
 - Must be violation and suspension free, and have no at-fault crashes for 12 consecutive months prior to applying for the Level 3 License.

OTHER FACTS

- No state-imposed license restrictions.