TEEN-PARENT DRIVING CONTRACT

I, _____ agree to obey the following rules:

OBEYING THE LAW

I understand that being a responsible driver means obeying the law.

I will:

- ☐ Always buckle my seatbelt.
- ☐ Wear my seatbelt in the proper position.
- ☐ Make sure my passengers are wearing their seatbelts before starting the car.
- ☐ Obey all traffic laws.
- ☐ Contact my parents for a ride if my driver is under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- ☐ Use turning signals when appropriate.
- ☐ Use headlights when appropriate.

I will NOT:

- ☐ Drive over the speed limit.
- ☐ Drive under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- ☐ Get into a car with a driver who is under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- ☐ Ignore traffic lights, stop signs or other road markings.
- ☐ Allow passengers in my car if they have alcohol, drugs, or other illegal items.
- ☐ Drive fast when in a hurry to get home.

DISTRACTED DRIVING

I am aware of the dangers of distracted driving and pledge to stay alert when behind the wheel.

I will:

- ☐ Focus solely on the road and my surroundings.
- ☐ Drive only when I am capable of staying alert.
- ☐ Keep my hands on the steering wheel at all times.
- ☐ Pay attention to other drivers, bicyclists, motorcyclists, and pedestrians around me.
- ☐ Make sure that nothing is distracting the driver while I am a passenger.

I will NOT:

- ☐ Look at or use my phone for any purpose while driving.
- ☐ Adjust the radio or change the music while driving.
- ☐ Eat, put on make-up, or engage in other distracting activities behind the wheel.
- ☐ Daydream or zone out while operating my car.
- ☐ Drive when tired.
- ☐ Drive when upset or angry.
- ☐ Allow my passengers to distract me while I am driving.
- ☐ Reach for items in the front seat, backseat, or any other area of the vehicle.

TAKING RESPONSIBILITY

I know the importance of respecting my parents' rules and taking responsibility for my actions.

I will:

- ☐ Help my parents pay for gas and routine maintenance for my vehicle.
- ☐ Tell my parents if I experience any issues with my vehicle.

I will NOT:

- ☐ Allow my driving privileges to interfere with my other responsibilities.
- ☐ Drive someone else's car without permission from my parents.

TAKING RESPONSIBILITY (CONTINUED)

I will:

- [ ] Follow my parents' rules regarding when and where I can drive.
- [ ] Tell my parents if I receive a parking or traffic ticket.
- [ ] Keep my car clean at all times.
- [ ] Remain calm when behind the wheel.
- [ ] Make sure the mirror and seat is properly positioned before driving.
- [ ] Use my car to run errands, transport family members, or perform any other tasks at my parents' request.
- [ ] Turn off all lights and lock the doors when I leave my car.

I will NOT:

- [ ] Drive the car when I am not supposed to.
- [ ] Let anyone else drive my car without my parents' permission.
- [ ] Put decals or bumper stickers on my vehicle without obtaining permission.

PENALTIES

I acknowledge that failing to comply with the rules in this contract will lead to consequences, including the loss of driving privileges.

Violation	Length of Driving Suspension:
• Parking ticket	_____ day(s)
• Speeding ticket/Moving violation	_____ day(s)
• Driving the vehicle past curfew	_____ day(s)
• Having too many passengers in the vehicle	_____ day(s)
• Not wearing a seatbelt	_____ day(s)
• Allowing someone else to drive the vehicle	_____ day(s)
• Failing to properly maintain the vehicle	_____ day(s)
• Driving while distracted	_____ day(s)
• Driving the car while intoxicated	_____ day(s)
• Other violations: _____	_____ day(s)

If I violate the terms of the contract, I will lose my driving privileges. In the event this happens, I agree to give the keys to my car to my parents immediately. I also agree to refrain from using the vehicle until I have regained my driving privileges.

AS THE PARENT/GUARDIAN OF _____, I PLEDGE TO:

- Ensure your vehicle is safe to drive.
- Cover the cost of driving courses and other tools you need to drive safely.
- Help you gain more driving experience.
- Provide clear and constructive feedback on your driving when riding with you.
- Help you fulfill the legal requirements for new drivers.
- Be a good role model by practicing safe driving.

Name and signature of parent/guardian

TEENS

By signing below, I agree to follow the rules and accept the penalties outlined in this contract.

Name and signature of teen driver

month/day/year