

# TopCops Parent Orientation

## Welcome!

► **Instructions:** please fill out your half sheet with your student's legal name as it appears on their birth certificate- also use the address of the parent that will take them to the DMV to get their permit.

► **Phone:** 720.261.8591

► **Web site:** [topcopsdrivingschool.com](http://topcopsdrivingschool.com)

► **Email:** [topcopsds@gmail.com](mailto:topcopsds@gmail.com)

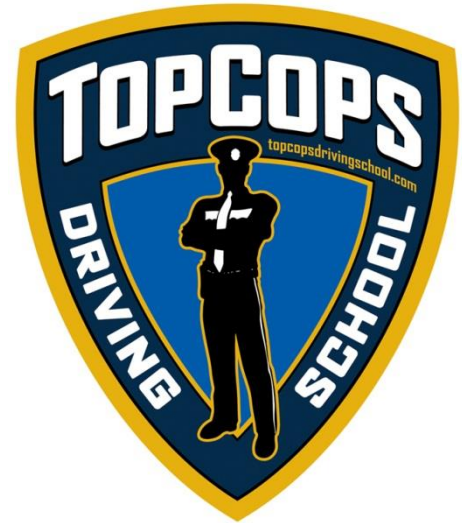
► **Instructor:** Sgt. Matt Cabot



# Graduated Driver's License (GDL)

## Colorado Drivers:

1. Instruction Permit age 15
2. Restricted License age 16
3. Full Privilege License age 18



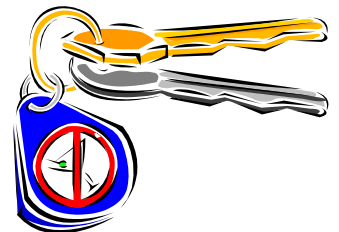
Colorado's licensing program requires applicants to:

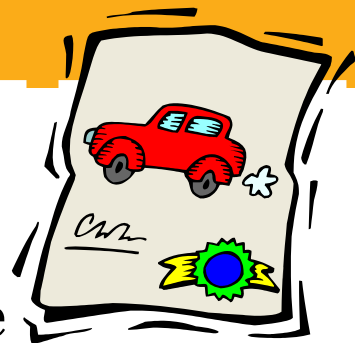
- ▶ take 30 hours of course study,
- ▶ a written test, (for the permit)
- ▶ behind the wheel training, (with certified instructor)
- ▶ 50 hours behind the wheel, (with parent)
- ▶ and a driving exam. (after holding permit for 365 days)



# GDL process starting at age 14 ½-15

1. Complete 30-hour driver's education course and pass written test.  
Written Exam certification expires in 180 days so test must be taken within 30 days teen's 15<sup>th</sup> birthday.
2. Obtain instruction permit at DMV after passing eye-test. Must be 15 yrs.
3. Log 50 hours of driving with a licensed parent, legal guardian or driving instructor. (Ten hours must be at night) See middle section of Parent Supervised Driving Guide.
4. Complete 6 hrs behind-the-wheel training with certified instructor – **(mandatory within 6 mths of classroom)**. [With TopCops!](#)
5. Take driving test. May take with [TopCops](#) or at DMV. (must be 16 yrs.)  
**Must** hold permit for **365 days**....Not 16<sup>th</sup> birthday-
6. Complete application for a restricted license at DMV (after one year with a permit) Must be 16 yrs.





# Benefits of the GDL Program

- Research shows that: “...graduated licensing programs have compelling effects on reducing the crashes of novice drivers in the United States. Studies have found crash reductions in some states up to **30 percent**. 50 states have GDL program.
- The CDC notes that the number 1 killer of teens between 12-19 years of age is ACCIDENTS. 75% of these accidents they speak of are vehicle accidents.
- Auto Insurance Reduction in Cost- Students should qualify for a 20% discount to the age of 25 yrs. Check with your insurance company for details.
- To Qualify for discount = 30 classroom hours **PLUS** 6 BTW



Your teen can not be added to your auto insurance policy until your teen receives his or her restricted license. They will drive under the umbrella of your insurance while they have their permit. However, you should let your insurance company know that your teen is starting to drive.





# 30 Hour Classroom Instruction


- ▶ 1. **Class Times:** 8:30am -4:15 pm. Please call or email if student will not be at class. Please be on time.
- ▶ 2. Student **will need** lunch, snacks and water. Lunch time: 11:30 am
- ▶ 3. Students will take the **permit test** on 4<sup>th</sup> day of class if:
  - ▶ -If you are 15 yrs old today- raise your hand. Taking the test 4<sup>th</sup> day.
  - ▶ -If you will be 15 yrs by \_\_\_\_ (30 days) from today- taking the test 4<sup>th</sup> day .
  - ▶ -If you will be 15 yrs after \_\_\_\_ (30 days) you will come back to take test. When you come back for the test you will have a review. No need to signup.
- ▶ **Paperwork for PERMIT will be emailed to address on file:**
  - ▶ 1. **DMV Forms:** A. Emailed verification bar code -classroom completion
  - ▶ B. Emailed verification bar code- permit test



# DMV (2) Emailed Forms

**Affidavit- Took 30 Hours      Passed Permit Test**

**Emailed to Parent's email listed on Student Information sheet**

 **COLORADO**  
Department of Revenue  
Division of Motor Vehicles

**Transaction Completion Statement**

**Customer Details**

PIN: NONE  
Name: CONNOR CLOTH  
DOB: 22-Mar-2002

**Exam Details**

School: 9630 - TOP COPS DRIVING SCHOOL  
Tester: 9630AI - AMY COLETTE DUDLEY  
Exam Type: Driver Education Program

Status: Pass

Exam Date: 25-Mar-2017  
Submitted Date: 25-Mar-2017 06:34:07  
Processed Date: 25-Mar-2017 06:34:07

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# TopCops Teaching Components for Class & BTW

*The TopCops driver-education program is based in part on the following key concepts:*

1. Driving is primarily a decision-making process. Your new driver will learn how to use the **SIPDE** Process and Zone Control to become a safe driver.
2. How maturity, emotions, and attitude affect your driving.
3. Knowing your limits and the vehicle's capabilities.
4. Drugs and alcohol will impair your ability to be a low-risk driver.
5. TopCops curriculum is interactive with focus on rules and regulations of driving through lectures, games, and small group activities. We use stories of past police investigations, but we never use FEAR based instruction!



**Did you know?? For 16-17 year olds, carrying just one passenger increases the crash risk by about 50 percent.**





# TopCops Driving School 6 BTW/Drive Test

Driving is something that your kid will probably do every day for the rest of their lives. It is the goal of TopCops to give your new driver all the tools they need to be a safe driver. We partner with the student and parents to develop the skills that will make them proficient drivers.

## **TopCops 6 Hour BTW Instruction includes:**

***Two 3-hour*** lessons include:

- 1-Basic Car Control and Scanning,
- 2-Hazard and Risk Management and
- 3-Advanced Decision Making and Highway driving.

## **Behind the Wheel Drive Test:**

Must hold permit for **365 days BEFORE** they can take the drive test. 16<sup>th</sup> BD is not a factor. Just date of issue of the permit.







# Teens and Car Insurance



- Teens are covered under the umbrella of your insurance policy while driving with a Permit.
- Good idea to notify your insurance company they have their permit.
- Can not put teens on your insurance policy until they have their restricted drivers license.
- Should get a 20% discount to the age of 25 yrs old with the classroom instruction **AND** the 6 hours BTW.



# Parent Tips – Driving



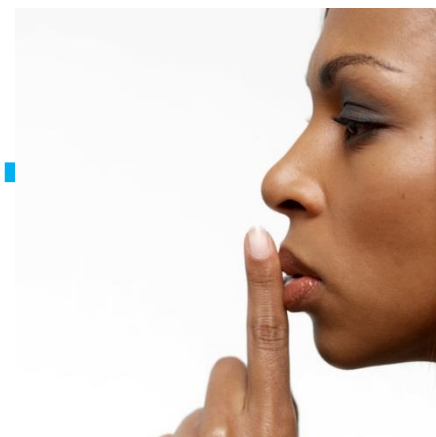
1. Review website for Parent driving guide and handbook...
2. Practice a lot... But NO passengers under 21!
3. Get in the mood: only practice when both are ready
4. Start simple: begin with basics, slow in your neighborhood
5. Start sunny: begin practice in good weather
6. Be a good role model: no texting or talking on cell phone
7. Talk with your teen about what they see as they drive.
8. Take deep breaths-remain calm and focused
9. Drive 5-10 hrs. before certified instruction (TopCops web site)



Did you know?? Parents can cut their teen driver's crash risk in half if they set driving rules and monitor them in a supportive, non-controlling way.



# Secret Parent Tip...





# Teen Driving Restriction Passengers:

## Teens with a permit:

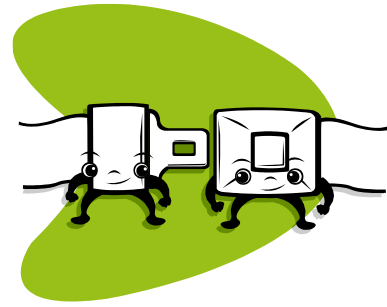
**No passengers under 21** other than a driving instructor, parent or other adult. Driving should be practice towards completing the 50 hour log.

## Teens with a license:

- > For the first **six months**, no passengers under 21, unless a parent or other licensed adult driver is in the vehicle.
- > For the **next six months**, one passenger under age 21 (unsupervised). Siblings and passengers with medical emergencies are exceptions.
- > At any time, no more than one passenger is allowed in the front seat. (Kids like to shove more passengers than seat belts)-



# Teen Driving Restrictions Cont....



1. Mandatory Seat Belts: By law, ALL teen drivers and passengers **MUST** wear a seat belt (no sharing). Your teen could be pulled over and ticketed for not buckling up. Teen driver is also responsible for all passengers.
2. Power Down: Help protect your teen by enforcing the current cell phone law: teens under age 18 are prohibited from texting or talking on a cell phone while driving. Teens can be fined and may lose their license.
3. Curfew: For the first year as a licensed driver, your teen must abide by a curfew. No driving between midnight and 5 am unless accompanied by an instructor, parent or legal guardian.

1<sup>st</sup> offense: \$65.00 fine    2 pts

2<sup>nd</sup> offense: \$100 fine    2 pts



# Expressed Consent Laws

All states have enacted the Expressed Consent Law.

When you get your driver's license, you agree that if you are stopped for cause and you consent to having a police officer give you a test for the presence of alcohol.

If you refuse to take the test, your license may be revoked.

**Drunk Driving:** Driving under the influence- even a trace on minor drivers- is punishable by law.





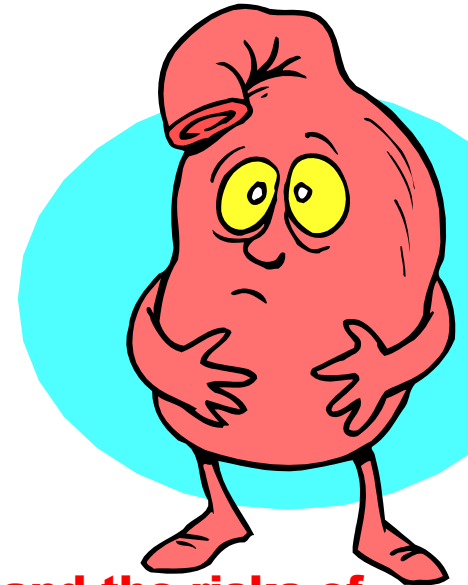


# DMV- Organ Donor Program

You can fill out an organ donation declaration on your driver's license or by signing an organ donor card at DMV when your teen gets their license.

The most important step in considering organ donation is discussing the decision with your teen **before** you get to DMV.

**Just an FYI.....have private conversation prior to DMV visit!**



**Did you know?? Teens are less likely than adults to understand the risks of driving because they lack experience. Their brains are still developing well into their 20's, affecting their judgment while driving■**



# Items to take to DMV to get Permit:



- ▶ 1. Email verification attendance 30 hour class
- ▶ 2. Email verification passed written test
- ▶ 3. Birth Certificate or Passport
- ▶ 4. (2)Proofs of residency (driver license, bill)
- ▶ 5. The teens Social Security Card
- ▶ 6. \$16.50 cash, check or CC
- ▶ Give yourself 3–4 hours for the visit to DMV



# TopCops Behind-the-Wheel Options

Students set up an on-line account at

**topcopsdrivingschool.com**



6 Hours:	6 Hours + Driver Test:	Driver Test Only:	Extras:
Private	Private		
Drive one-on-one with a police officer in an unmarked police car. Two-three hour sessions.	Drive one-on-one with a police officer in an unmarked police car. Two-three hour sessions + 15 minute driver test.	Take the driver test and avoid the DMV.	Home pick ups and drops offs. Total of two home pick ups and two home drop offs.
<b>\$375</b>	<b>\$395</b>	<b>\$65</b>	<b>\$90</b>
Register on line at :	<a href="http://topcopsdrivingschool.com">topcopsdrivingschool.com</a>	Prices Include:	\$5.00 online account fee

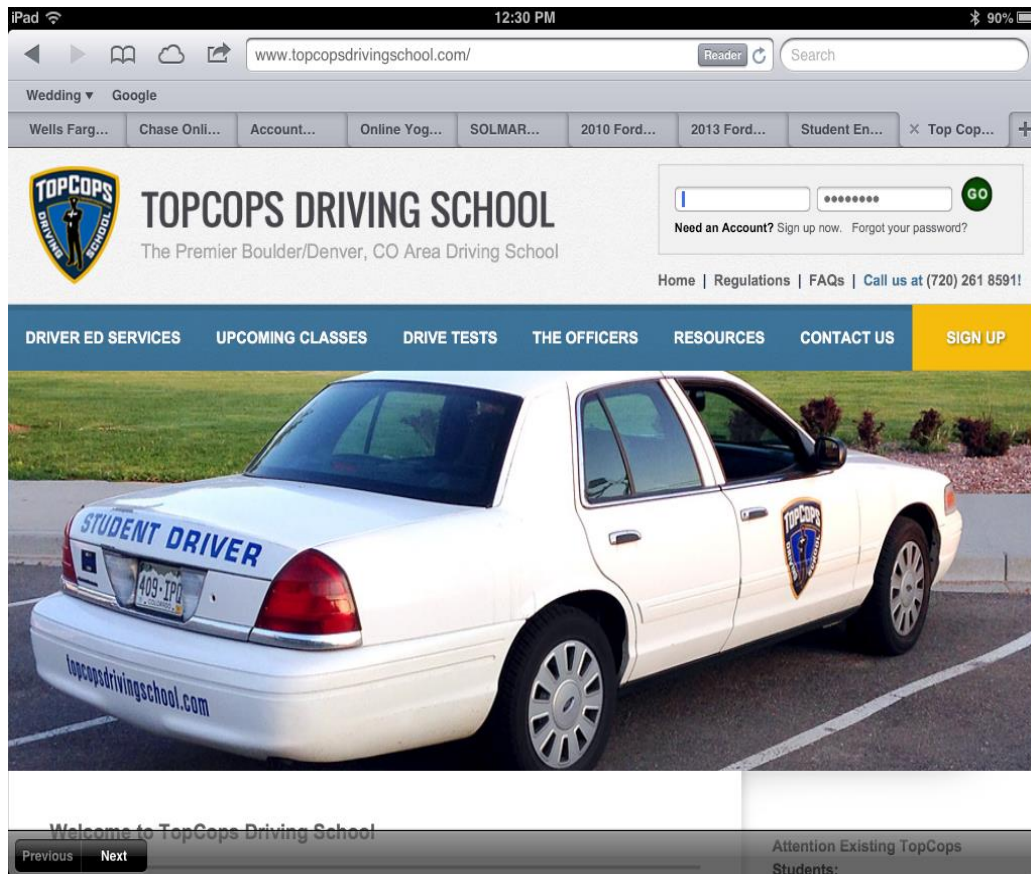


# Register for 6 Hour Behind the Wheel Training by:

1. log on to: [www.topcopsdrivingschool.com](http://www.topcopsdrivingschool.com)

2. Choose “Sign Up Now”  
from home page

3. Create Student Account



**Create a New Student Account**

\* Denotes a required field

**Student Information**

Title \* First Name \* MID \* Last Name \*

Email Address \*

Home Phone \* Cell Phone

Birth Date (mm/dd/yyyy) \*

**Parent (Guardian) #1**

First and Last Name \* Email Address \*

Username \* Password \* Confirm Password \*

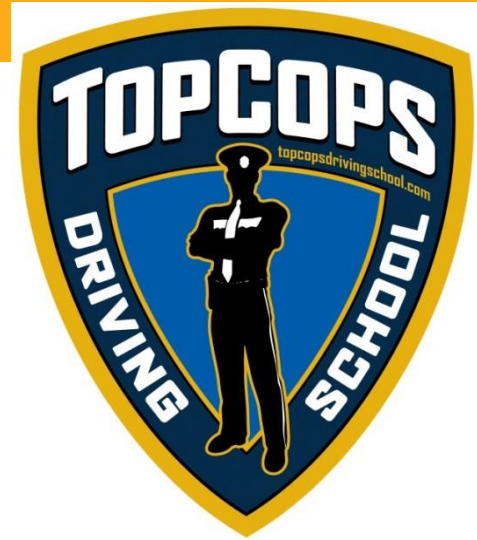
Applicant School \* Select Your School

Select the school you attend (otherwise, the closest school to your home address), to see courses available in your area.

**REGISTER**



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