

LOCAL LAWS FOR NEW DRIVERS

DEERFIELD AND HIGHLAND PARK AREA

CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

In Illinois, drivers 18 and under may not use a cell phone or text while driving. This also applies to hands-free use.



Per state law, use of any electronic device, including cell phones, GPS and iPods, while driving is not allowed. Those 19 years of age and over may use a hands-free set.

Driving with earphones in both ears is not allowed.





Cell phone violations are considered a moving violation. They appear on driving records and can result in insurance premium increases.



FOR TEENS 17 & UNDER

ILLINOIS DRIVING CURFEW

Driver's license is invalid Sunday – Thursday: 10 pm – 6 am Friday – Saturday: 11 pm – 6 am

LOCAL CURFEW

May not be present at or upon any public place, building or street Sunday – Thursday: 11 pm – 6 am Friday – Saturday: midnight – 6 am

CURFEW AND GRADUATED LICENSES

The license of a teen under 18 is invalid after curfew. A teen may be subject to arrest for driving without a license and their driving privileges may be suspended. Insurance may not cover teens driving after curfew.

In the first 12 months of licensure or until 18 years of age, drivers may not have more than one passenger under 20 years old,



excluding siblings. Crash risk is particularly high during the first months of licensure and increases with each additional teen passenger.

WAYS TO STAY SAFE



Wear a **seat belt** on every trip.



Pull over to use your phone or ask a passenger to do the texting/calling.



Know who and what is in your car. If it's in your car, it belongs to you.



Pledge never to ride with someone who has been drinking or using drugs.

Before going out, make a pact with friends to not drink or use other drugs.



Agree on a **code word** or symbol to text a parent or other adult to let them know you need a safe ride home.

File your **emergency contacts** with the Secretary of State.



For 24/7 anonymous support for you or a friend: text "224Help" to 844-823-LEAD (5323).



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Community - The Anti-Drug (CTAD) Coalition is a 501(c)3 nonprofit working to reduce alcohol, marijuana, and other drug use among youth in Bannockburn, Deerfield, Highland Park, Highwood & Riverwoods.



CommunityTheAntiDrug.org









The use of alcohol, marijuana or other drugs impairs the ability to drive safely:



Slower reaction time and decision-making



Diminished peripheral vision



Decreased attention to driving conditions and other traffic

Bannockburn, Deerfield, Highland Park, Highwood and Riverwoods have a zero tolerance policy for underage drinking and possession of alcohol. No blood alcohol level is allowed. Those caught face possible arrest and loss of driver's license.

It is illegal to provide alcohol or marijuana to a person under age 21. A person may be fined, sentenced to jail or have driving privileges suspended. Possession, consumption, purchase, or transportation of alcohol or marijuana by a minor can result in their driver's license being suspended or revoked.

This is regardless of whether or not they are driving at the time.

Drinking any amount of alcohol before driving increases crash risk among teen drivers.

24% of drivers aged 15 - 20 who were killed in car crashes had been drinking.

It is illegal to allow your vehicle to be driven by someone you know to be under the influence.

Those 21 and older may only transport alcohol or marijuana in secured, sealed containers out of reach while the vehicle is moving. Illegal transportation can result in charges for everyone in the vehicle, regardless of who it belongs to.



It is illegal to use a fake ID card or use the ID card of another person for the purpose of consuming alcohol, obtaining marijuana or gaining access to a retail marijuana store. The State may suspend or revoke driving privileges, without a conviction, of any person who violates these laws.

COST OF IMPAIRED DRIVING

- ▶ Loss of driving privileges
- Loss or damage of vehicle
- ▶ Increased cost of insurance
- ▶ DUI fines
- ▶ Cost of lawyer
- ▶ Possible civil damages/fines
- Possible injury or death

Information on this fact sheet provided in partnership with local law enforcement:











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