

# **ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PARENT/TEEN DRIVING AGREEMENT**

This Agreement is made on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_, by and between the teen driver and parent(s)/guardian(s) covering the use and operation of any vehicle registered in this household.

## **SAFE DRIVING PROMISE:**

**Teen Driver.** If I am ever in a situation where I need a ride home for my safety, I will call a cab, ask a sober person to drive me, or call a family member to come and get me.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Signature)

**Parent(s)/Guardian(s):** I promise to pick you up if you ever call me for a ride. I also promise not to start a conversation about the incident at that time.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Signature**

## **I (teen driver) understand:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Driving is a privilege, not a right.
- \_\_\_\_\_ That I will abide by all vehicle and traffic laws.
- \_\_\_\_\_ That the vehicle(s) I drive is the property of my parent(s)/guardian(s) and will only be used when I have been given permission.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The terms of this agreement must be reached in order for me to use a vehicle. If the terms of this agreement are not followed, my privilege to drive may be revoked or limited for a period of time.
- \_\_\_\_\_ That this agreement can be renegotiated at a set time agreed upon by all parties involved.

## **At all times you (teen driver) must:**

1. Provide destination and time of return. Must call if more than 30 minutes late.
2. Abide by the Vehicle and Traffic Laws of the State of New York, or any other jurisdiction that you operate the vehicle in.
3. Wear a seat belt, and make sure that each person wears a seat belt (only one person per belt). This includes those sitting in the back seat.
4. Limit your passengers as follows: If holding a junior permit or a limited junior permit, the only passenger allowed in the front seat is your accompanying driver. This person must be age 21 or older and have a license valid for the type of vehicle you are driving. You may not drive with more than two passengers under the age of 21 in your vehicle unless they are members of your immediate family or unless the accompanying driver is a licensed parent, guardian, other adult acting as your parent, driver education teacher, or driving school instructor. If holding a senior license, you must limit your passengers to \_\_\_\_\_.
5. *NOT* lend the car or allow others to drive it.

## **Teen will be responsible:** (Check those that apply)

- \_\_\_\_\_ For informing parent(s)/guardian(s) about any accidents/crashes or encounters with the police.
- \_\_\_\_\_ For keeping car clean (inside and out) when using vehicle.
- \_\_\_\_\_ For traffic violations--fines and penalties they incur when the vehicle was in their possession. (All court fines/surcharges, costs due to driving record, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ For damage due to abuse/collisions and agrees to pay for damages that they incur not covered by insurance.
- \_\_\_\_\_ For reporting problems with the vehicle.
- \_\_\_\_\_ For checking the car prior to all trips—fluid levels, tire pressure, windows are clean and clear.

