

8-235d. Applications for licenses other than renewals; examinations; locations; issuance of license; requirements for applicant under age of eighteen years.

(a) Drivers' license examiners of the division shall accept original applications for drivers' licenses and instruction permits, as distinguished from applications for renewals of licenses, on forms prescribed by the division and also shall issue instruction permits. Drivers' license examiners of the division shall examine every applicant for a driver's license who is required by the provisions of the motor vehicle drivers' license act to be examined. Such examination shall be held in the county where the applicant resides or at a place adjacent thereto reasonably convenient to the applicant or at a location established by the secretary. Such examination shall include a test of the applicant's eyesight, the applicant's ability to read and understand highway signs regulating, warning and directing traffic, the applicant's knowledge of the traffic laws of this state and shall include an actual demonstration of ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of motor vehicles which the class of license applied for would entitle the applicant to drive. At the conclusion of the examination the examiner shall issue a license to the applicant, if the applicant has successfully passed the examination with the class of license the applicant has applied for.

(b) In addition to the requirements of subsection (a):

(1) Any person applying for a driver's license shall comply with the provisions of subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-240, and amendments thereto; and

(2) any person who is under the age of 18 years and at least 17 years of age, who is applying for a driver's license for the first time, not including an instruction permit, shall submit a signed affidavit of either a parent or guardian, stating that the applicant has completed at least 50 hours of adult supervised driving with at least 10 of those hours being at night. The required adult supervised driving required in this subsection shall be conducted by an adult who is at least 21 years of age and is the holder of a valid commercial driver's license, class A, B or C driver's license.

Evidence of failure of any licensee who was required to complete the 50 hours of adult supervised driving under this subsection shall not be admissible in any action for the purpose of determining any aspect of comparative negligence or mitigation of damages.

History: L. 1949, ch. 104, § 6; L. 1959, ch. 49, § 10; L. 1963, ch. 402, § 2; L. 1967, ch. 434, § 2; L. 1975, ch. 36, § 8; L. 1989, ch. 38, § 21; L. 1999, ch. 125, § 14; L. 2000, ch. 179, § 8; L. 2009, ch. 34, § 4; L. 2013, ch. 40, § 1; July 1.