

8-2,100. Instruction permits; conditions, restrictions and requirements; under 17 years of age. (a)

Any person who is at least 14 years of age, but less than 17 years of age may apply to the division for an instruction permit. The division may issue an instruction permit under this section to any person who is at least 14 years of age, but less than 16 years of age only upon written application of a parent or guardian of the minor. The division may in its discretion, after the applicant has successfully passed all parts of the examination other than the driving test, issue to the applicant an instruction permit for a period of one year.

(b) An instruction permit issued under this subsection shall authorize the permit holder to drive a passenger car under the following conditions:

(1) The permit holder shall be in immediate possession of the instruction permit;

(2) a supervising driver shall be seated beside the permit holder in the front seat of the passenger car when such car is in motion. The supervising driver shall be an adult who is at least 21 years of age who is the holder of a valid commercial driver's license, class A, B or C driver's license and who has at least one year of driving experience. No person other than the supervising driver can be in the front seat;

(3) the permit holder may drive at any time in accordance with the provisions of this section;

(4) the permit holder shall not operate a wireless communication device while driving a passenger car, except that a permit holder may operate a wireless communications device while driving a passenger car to report illegal activity or to summons medical or other emergency help.

(c) Any person who is at least 14 years of age, but less than 17 years of age may apply for an instruction permit to operate a motorcycle either separate from or in conjunction with an instruction permit to operate a passenger car. The applicant shall successfully pass all parts of the examination other than the driving test. An instruction permit issued under this subsection shall authorize the permit holder to operate a motorcycle if such permit holder is accompanied by an adult who is at least 21 years of age, who is the holder of a valid class M driver's license, who has had at least one year of driving experience and who is either riding a motorcycle in the general proximity of the permit holder or is riding as a passenger on the motorcycle being operated by the permit holder.

(d) An instruction permit issued under this section is subject to suspension or revocation in the same manner as any other driver's license. An instruction permit shall be suspended in accordance with K.S.A. 8-291, and amendments thereto, for any violation of restrictions under this section.

(e) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the motor vehicle driver's license act.

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