

DID YOU KNOW???

PARENTS MAY WITHDRAW TEENAGE DRIVER'S PRIVILEGE

Driving is a privilege for all drivers, but for teenagers, one that can easily be taken away. Parents and guardians, are you listening?

As a parent or guardian you may need to decide whether or not to allow your teen to continue driving. The teen may demonstrate driving behavior that is not safe. The teen may not yet have the maturity to handle driving responsibility.

Regardless of the reason, you can withdraw your consent for driving privileges if your teen is:

- Under age 18, and
- Has a driver license with a Class designation that includes the letter "J" (junior), for example "DJ" or "MJ".

Note: a driver can qualify for a driver license that is *not* a junior driver license at age 17 with the completion of Driver Education. You cannot withdraw consent for a driver age 17 who has received a license without a license class designation that includes the letter "J".

To withdraw consent, complete and send to DMV form MV-1W. An example of this form is included with this article.

MV-1W (10/07)		New York State Department of Motor Vehicles	
WITHDRAWAL OF CONSENT			
Check all boxes below that describe the documents that DMV issued. If you have the documents, attach them to this form.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class DJ License		<input type="checkbox"/> Class MJ License	<input type="checkbox"/> Learner's Permit
<input type="checkbox"/> Learner's Permit (Motorcycle)		Date of Birth	
Name on Document <u>John Doe</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
Mailing Address (Street & Number) <u>123 Any St.</u>		Apt. #	Client ID No.
City <u>Any village</u>	State <u>NY</u>	Zip Code <u>129xx</u>	Print Name of Parent of Guardian <u>Jane Doe</u>
I am the parent or guardian who consented to the issuance of a license or learner's permit to the person named above. By signing this form, I am advising the Department of Motor Vehicles that I withdraw my consent.			
(Signature of Parent or Guardian)		9/25/2015 (Date)	
Return this form, and the documents to be canceled, to a Motor Vehicles office, or send them to the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles, Driver Improvement Bureau, 6 Empire State Plaza, Albany NY 12228.			

Should a situation arise that you, as a parent or guardian, feel the need to revoke the driving privileges of your child, you can forward this "Withdrawal of Consent" form to the local DMV office and have your child's license privileges revoked. No reason is required for the revocation. For instance, if your teen comes home past his/her curfew, you have the right to revoke their driving privilege.

Here is a little word of caution to teens with junior driving licenses. Remember that driving is a privilege, now and always. However, as long as you still have a "junior" license, your parents or guardian may revoke your license without question. It behooves you to not only drive carefully and safely but to also respect and obey the rules imposed by your parents or guardian.

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