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<b>Alabama</b> (CCF, CELL <sup>B</sup> , RECPR, TEXT)	15 <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	6 <i>(10/1/2002)</i>	16 <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	Midnight to 6 a.m.* <i>(10/1/2002)</i>	No more than one passenger (family members or licensed driver 21 or over exempt).* <i>(7/1/2010)</i>	17 <i>(10/1/2002)</i>	30 (waived for students enrolled in driver's ed.) <i>(10/1/2002)</i>
<b>Alaska</b> (CCF, RECPR, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	14 <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	6 <i>(1/1/1999)</i>	16 <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	1 a.m. to 5 a.m. <i>(1/1/2005)</i>	First 6 months, no passengers under 21 (siblings exempt). <i>(1/1/2005)</i>	16 and 6 mos. <i>(1/1/2005)</i>	40 (10) <i>(1/1/2005)</i>
<b>Arizona</b> (RECPR)	15 and 6 mos.	6	16	Midnight – 5 a.m. (unless with parent/legal	First 6 months, no more than one passenger under age 18 (unless with	16 and 6 mos.	30 (10) (waived for students enrolled in

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	<i>(6/30/2008)</i>	<i>(6/30/2008)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	guardian or driving to/from work or school)* <i>(6/30/2008)</i>	parent/ legal guardian; family members exempt)* <i>(6/30/2008)</i>	<i>(6/30/2008)</i>	driver's ed) <i>(6/30/2008)</i>
<b>Arkansas</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, BELT, RECPR, TEXT) <sup>1</sup>	14	6	16 <sup>2</sup>	11 p.m. - 4 a.m. (unless with licensed driver 21 or older)	No more than one unrelated passenger under 21 (unless with licensed driver 21 or older)	18	None

<sup>1</sup> In Arkansas, learner's or intermediate license holders and drivers under 18 are subject to a complete ban on cell phone use and text messaging. The use of hand-held cell phones for drivers age 18-20 is prohibited. The teen cell phone ban is secondarily enforced.

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<b>California</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	15 and 6 mos.	6	16	11 p.m.- 5 a.m. *	First 12 months, no passengers younger than 20 unless supervised by a 25-year-old driver. (family members exempt). *	17	50 (10)
	<i>(1/1/2003)</i>	<i>(7/1/1998)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(1/1/2006)</i>	<i>(1/1/2006)</i>	<i>(1/1/2006)</i>	<i>(7/1/1998)</i>
<b>Colorado</b> (CELL, DE, BELT, RECPR, TEXT)	15 (w/driver ed., classroom & behind-the-wheel	12	16	Midnight to 5 a.m. *	First 6 months no passengers under age 21. Second six months only one passenger under age 21 (family members	17	50 (10)

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	course) 15 and 6 mos. (w/driver awareness course or driver education) 16 (w/out formal ed.) <i>(7/1/1999)</i>	<i>(7/1/2004)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(7/1/1999)</i>	exempt). *	<i>(7/1/2005)</i>	<i>(7/1/2005)</i>	<i>(7/1/1999)</i>
<b>Connecticut</b>	16	4 (w/state	16 and 4	11 p.m. to 5	First 6 months no	Night: 18	Passeng	40

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(CELL, RECPR, TEXT)		approved driver ed.)  6 (with certified home driver ed).	mos.	a.m.	passengers except parents, licensed driving instructor, or instructor over 20 with 4 years of licensed, suspension-free driving. 2 <sup>nd</sup> 6 months, family members also permitted.	er: 17 and 4 mos.		
	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(1/1/1997)</i>	<i>(1/1/1997)</i>	<i>(8/1/2008)</i>	<i>(8/1/2008)</i>	<i>(10/1/2005)</i>	<i>(8/1/2008)</i>	<i>(8/1/2008)</i>
<b>Delaware</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	16	6	16 and 6 mos.	10 p.m. to 6 a.m. (exceptions for	No more than 1 passenger (family members exempt).	17	50 (10)	

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	<i>(8/31/2006)</i>	<i>(7/1/1999)</i>	<i>(8/31/2006)</i>	work, school related activities) <i>(7/6/2004)</i>	<i>(8/31/2006)</i>	<i>(8/31/2006)</i>	<i>(8/31/2006)</i>
<b>D.C. (CELL, RECP, TEXT)</b>	16	6	16 and 6 mos.	Sept. – June: Starts 11 p.m. (Sun-Thurs) and midnight Fri-Sat nights), Ends 6 a.m. July – Aug. midnight to 6.a.m.	First 6 months no passengers unless supervised by 21-year-old driver (family members exempt). Thereafter, no more than 2 passengers under 21 (family members exempt).	18	40 (10 hours at night in the intermediate license stage.)

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<b>Florida</b> (CCF, RECPR, TEXT*)	15	12	16	11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Age 16) 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. (Age 17)	None	18	50 (10)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(10/1/2000)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(7/1/1996)</i>		<i>(7/1/1996)</i>	<i>(10/1/2000)</i>
<b>Georgia</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	15	12	16	Midnight to 6 a.m. *	First 6 months no passengers (family members exempt). Second 6 months, no more than 1 passenger younger than 21 (family members exempt).	18	40 (6)

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	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(7/1/1997)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(1/1/2002)</i>	After second 6 months, no more than 3 passengers younger than 21 (family members exempt) * <i>(7/1/2006)</i>	<i>(7/1/1997)</i>	<i>(7/1/2006)</i>	
<b>Hawaii</b> (BELT, CELL, CCF, DE, TEXT)	15 and 6 mos. <i>(1/1/2001)</i>	6 <i>(1/9/2006)</i>	16 <i>(1/9/2006)</i>	11 p.m. to 5 a.m. <i>(1/9/2006)</i>	No more than 1 passenger under the age of 18 (household members exempt). <i>(1/9/2006)</i>	17 <i>(1/9/2006)</i>	50 (10) <i>(5/18/2006)</i>	
<b>Idaho</b> (CCF, BELT, RECPR, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	14 and 6 mos.	6	15	Sunset to Sunrise	First 6 months, no more than one	Night: 16 Passenger: 15	50 (10)	

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					passenger under age 17 (with family exemptions)		and 6 mos.	
	<i>(1/1/2001)</i>	<i>(5/29/2007)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(5/29/2007)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(5/29/2007)</i>	<i>(1/1/2001)</i>
<b>Illinois</b> (CCF, CELL, BELT, RECPR, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	15	9	16	Starts 10 p.m. Sun–Thurs, 11 p.m. Fri and Sat night. Ends 6 a.m.	First 12 months no more than 1 passenger younger than 20 (family members exempt).	Night: 18	Passenger: 17	50 (10)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(1/1/2008)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(1/1/2008)</i>	<i>(1/1/2008)</i>	<i>(1/1/2008)</i>	<i>(1/1/2008)</i>	<i>(6/22/2006)</i>
<b>Indiana</b> (BELT, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	15 (16 if not)	6	16 and 180 days	First 180 days: 10 p.m. to 5	First 180 days no passengers unless	Night: 18	Passenger: 17	50 (10)

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	enrolled in driver's ed) <i>(7/1/2011)</i>	<i>(7/1/2010)</i>	(w/driver's ed) 16 and 270 days (w/o driver's ed) <i>(7/1/2010)</i>	a.m.; Second 180 days or until age 18: starts 11 p.m. Sun-Thurs, 1 a.m. Fri and Sat night Ends 5 a.m. <i>(7/1/2009)</i>	supervised by 25-year-old driver (family members exempt). <i>(7/1/2009)</i>	<i>(7/1/1998)</i>	(17, 3 months w/o driver's ed) <i>(7/1/2010)</i>	<i>(7/1/2010)</i>
<b>Iowa</b> (BELT, CELL, CCF, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	14	12	16	12:30 a.m. to 5 a.m.	First 6 months, no more than one passenger under age 18 (family members exempt; opt-out)	Night: 17 <i>(1/1/1999)</i>	Passenger: 16, 6 months <i>(1/1/1999)</i>	20 (2)  (10 hours including 2 at night that must occur in the

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<b>Kansas</b> (BELT, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	14	12	15	9 p.m. to 5 a.m. <sup>3</sup>	Under 16, no non-sibling minor passengers; age 16, no more than one non-immediate family member passenger under 18. <i>(1/1/2010)</i>	16 and 6 mos.		50 (10)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(1/1/2010)</i>	<i>(1/1/2010)</i>	<i>(1/1/2010)</i>	<i>(1/1/2010)</i>	<i>(1/1/2010)</i>		<i>(7/1/1999)</i>
<b>Kentucky</b>	16	6	16 and 6	Midnight to	No more than one	17		60 (10)

<sup>3</sup> Kansas intermediate stage night time restriction only applies beginning at age 16. Under 16, drivers are only permitted to drive to and from school or work, or when accompanied by an adult holder of a valid driver's license in the front passenger seat.

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	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(10/1/1996)</i>	<i>(10/1/1996)</i>	<i>(4/1/2007)</i>	<i>(4/1/2007)</i>	<i>(4/1/2007)</i>	<i>(10/1/2006)</i>
<b>Louisiana</b> (BELT, CCF, CELL <sup>B</sup> , DE, RECPR, TEXT) <sup>4</sup>	15	6	16	11 p.m. to 5 a.m.	No more than one non-family passenger under age 21 between 6 p.m. and 5 a.m. unless supervised by a licensed parent, guardian, or adult at least	17	50 (15)

<sup>4</sup> In Louisiana, drivers 17 and younger are subject to a primary, complete ban on the use of cell phones. Learner's and intermediate license holders are subject to a secondary ban on the use of hand-held cell phones.

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<b>Maine</b> (CELL, DE, RECP, TEXT)	15	6	16	Midnight to 5 a.m.	First 180 days no passengers unless supervised by licensed driver with two consecutive years of full licensure (family members exempt).	16 and 9 mos.		70 (10)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(9/16/2003)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(9/16/2003)</i>	<i>(9/16/2003)</i>	<i>(1/1/2013)</i>		<i>(10/7/2013)</i>
<b>Maryland</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, RECP, TEXT)	15 and 9 mos.	9	16 and 6 months	Midnight to 5 a.m. (Under 18)	First 5 months no passengers under the age of 18 yrs. (family members	Night: 18	Passenger: 16 and 11 mos.	60 (10)

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<b>Massachusetts</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT) <sup>5</sup>	16	6	16 and 6 mos.	12:30 a.m. – 5 a.m.*	First 6 months no passengers younger than 18 unless supervised by 21-year-old driver (family members exempt).*	Night: 18	Passenger: 17	40 (30 hours if completed advanced driver training course)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(11/4/1998)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(3/31/2007)</i>	<i>(11/4/1998)</i>	<i>(at least 1995)</i>	<i>(11/4/1998)</i>	<i>(9/1/2007)</i>
<b>Michigan</b>	14 and 9	6	16	10 p.m. to	No more than one	17		50 (10)

<sup>5</sup> Massachusetts' night and passenger restrictions are secondarily enforced from 12:30am – 1am and 4am - 5 am.

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<b>Minnesota</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, BELT, RECPR, TEXT)	15  <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	6  <i>(2/1/1997)</i>	16  <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	First 6 months, midnight to 5 a.m.	First 6 months, no more than one passenger under the age of 20 (family members exempt). Second 6 months no more than three passengers under 20 (family members exempt).	Night: 16 and 6 mos.  <i>(8/1/2008)</i>	Passenger: 17  <i>(8/1/2008)</i>	30 (10)  <i>(1/1/1999)</i>

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<b>Mississippi</b> (CCF, DE, RECPR, TEXT <sup>6</sup> )	15 (14; teens can apply for learner's permit for DE) <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	12 <i>(7/1/2009)</i>	16 <i>(7/1/2009)</i>	<i>(8/1/2008)</i> 10 p.m. Thursday - Sunday; 11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday; to 6 a.m. <i>(7/1/2009)</i>	<i>(8/1/2008)</i> None	16 and 6 mos. <i>(7/1/2009)</i>	None
<b>Missouri</b> (CCF, BELT, RECPR, <sup>7</sup> TEXT <sup>8</sup> )	15	182 days	16	1 a.m. to 5 a.m.	First 6 months, no more than 1	18	40 (10)

<sup>6</sup> Mississippi prohibits text messaging by intermediate license, temporary learning permit, and temporary driving permit holders.

<sup>7</sup> Must be under age 16

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction		Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
	<i>(1/1/2001)</i>	<i>(1/1/2001)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(1/1/2001)</i>	passenger under age 19 (family members exempt). Then, no more than three passengers under age 19. <i>(8/28/2006)</i>	<i>(8/28/2006)</i>	<i>(1/1/2007)</i>
<b>Montana (BELT, CCF, DE, RECPR)</b>	14 and 6 mos. (if enrolled in DE; otherwise 16)	6	15	11 p.m. to 5 a.m.	First 6 months, no more than one unrelated passenger under age 18. Second 6 months, no more than three	16	50 (10)

<sup>8</sup> Missouri has a ban on text messaging for drivers under 21.

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction			Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(7/1/2006)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(7/1/2006)</i>	unrelated passengers under age 18. <i>(7/1/2006)</i>		<i>(7/1/2006)</i>	
<b>Nebraska</b> (CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	15	6	16	12 a.m. to 6 a.m. *	First 6 months, no more than 1 passenger under 19 (immediate family exempt) <i>(1/1/2008)</i>	Night: 17 Passenger: 16 and 6 mos.	50 (10) (waived for students enrolled in driver's ed.) <i>(1/1/1999)</i>	
<b>Nevada</b> (CCF, CELL <sup>A</sup> , DE, RECPR, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	15 and 6 mos. (DE required unless no	6	16	10 p.m. to 5 a.m. *	First 6 months, no passengers younger than 18 (family members exempt). * <i>(1/1/1999)</i>	Night: 18 Passenger: 16 and 6 mos.	50 (10) <i>(1/1/1999)</i>	

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction			Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
	program offered within 30 miles of home <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(10/1/2005)</i>	<i>(10/1/2005)</i>	<i>(10/1/2005)</i>	<i>(10/1/2007)</i>	<i>(10/1/2005)</i>	<i>(10/1/2007)</i>	<i>(10/1/2005)</i>
<b>New Hampshire</b> (BELT, DE, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	15 and 6 mos.  <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	None  <i>(1/1/2003)</i>	16  <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	1 a.m. to 4 a.m.  <i>(1/1/2011)</i>	First 6 months no more than 1 passenger younger than 25 (family members exempt).  <i>(1/1/2003)</i>	Night: 18  <i>(5/24/2004)</i>	Passenger: 16 and 6 mos.  <i>(1/1/2003)</i>	40 (10)  <i>(6/16/2009)</i>
<b>New Jersey</b> (BELT, CCF, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	16 (17,	6	17	11 p.m. to 5 a.m.	No more than 1 passenger (parents	18		None

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction		Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
	without DE) <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(1/1/2001)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(5/1/2010)</i>	and dependents exempt). <i>(5/1/2010)</i>	<i>(1/1/2001)</i>	
<b>New Mexico</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	15 <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	6 <i>(1/1/2000)</i>	15 and 6 mos. <i>(1/1/2000)</i>	Midnight to 5 a.m. <i>(1/1/2000)</i>	No more than 1 passenger under 21 (family members exempt). <i>(1/1/2000)</i>	16 and 6 mos. <i>(1/1/2000)</i>	50 (10) <i>(1/1/2000)</i>
<b>New York</b> (CELL, DE, BELT, RECPR, TEXT)	16 <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	6 <i>(2/22/2010)</i>	16 and 6 mos. <i>(9/1/2003)</i>	9 p.m. to 5 a.m. <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	No more than 1 passenger younger than 21 unless supervised by 21-year-old driver (family members exempt). <i>(2/22/2010)</i>	18 (17 w/driver ed.) <i>(9/1/2003)</i>	50 (15) <i>(2/22/2010)</i>

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<b>North Carolina</b> (BELT, CELL, CCF, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	15 <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	12 <i>(12/1/1997)</i>	16 <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	9 p.m. to 5 a.m. <i>(12/1/1997)</i>	No more than one passenger younger than 21 (family members exempt). If a family member younger than 21 is a passenger, then no other passengers younger than 21 who are not family members. <i>(12/1/2002)</i>	16 and 6 mos. (18 w/out DE) <i>(12/1/2002)</i>	60 (10); 12 (6) during intermediate stage <i>(1/1/2012)</i>
<b>North Dakota</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	14	12 (age 15; 6 months)	15	9 p.m. (or sunset) to 5 a.m.	None	16	50 (applies to teens age 14 &

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction			Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
		or until age 16, whichever is longer <i>(1/1/12)</i>	<i>(1/1/12)</i>	<i>(1/1/12)</i>			<i>(1/1/12)</i>	15)
<b>Ohio</b> (BELT, CELL <sup>B</sup> , DE, RECPR)	15 and 6 mos. <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	6 <i>(1/1/1999)</i>	16 <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	Midnight to 6 a.m. for 16-year olds. 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. for 17-year olds.* <i>(4/6/2007)</i>	No more than 1 passenger for 16-year-old drivers (family exempt) (17; no more passengers than seatbelts) <i>(4/6/2007)</i>	Night: 18 <i>(4/6/2007)</i>	Passenger: 17 <i>(4/6/2007)</i>	50 (10) <i>(1/1/1999)</i>
<b>Oklahoma</b> (CELL <sup>B</sup> , DE, RECPR,	15 and 6 mos. <i>(7/1/1998)</i>	6 <i>(1/1/1999)</i>	16 (w/ driver's <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	10 p.m. to 5 a.m. (exempts <i>(4/6/2007)</i>	No more than 1 passenger (exempts <i>(4/6/2007)</i>	16 and 6 mos. <i>(4/6/2007)</i>	(w/driver's ed.) <i>(4/6/2007)</i>	50 (10) <i>(1/1/1999)</i>

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction		Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
<b>TEXT</b> ) <sup>9</sup>	(w/driver's ed.) 16 (w/out driver's ed.) <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(11/1/2004)</i>	ed.) 16 and 6 mos. (w/out driver's ed.) <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	work, school & church) <i>(11/1/2009)</i>	parents, guardians or a licensed driver over age 21) <i>(11/1/2005)</i>	17 (w/out driver's ed.) <i>(11/1/2005)</i>	<i>(11/1/2009)</i>
<b>Oregon</b> (CELL, CCF, RECPR, TEXT)	15	6	16	Midnight to 5 a.m. (exempt with passenger >25)	First 6 months no passengers under 20. Second 6 months no more than 3 passengers	17	50 (100 w/out driver ed.)

<sup>9</sup> Oklahoma's teen wireless ban applies to handheld devices only.

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction			Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(3/1/2000)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(3/1/2000)</i>	under 20 (family members exempt). <i>(3/1/2000)</i>			<i>(3/1/2000)</i>
<b>Pennsylvania</b> (CCF, DE, BELT, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	16 <sup>10</sup>	6	16 and 6 mos.	11 p.m. to 5 a.m.	First 6 months, no more than 1 passenger under 18; thereafter no more than 3 passengers under 18) <i>(12/24/2011)</i>	Night: 17 and 6 months (18 w/out driver ed.) <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	Passenger: 17 and 6 months <i>(12/24/11)</i>	65 (10 night) (5 inclement weather)  <i>(12/24/11)</i>
<b>Rhode Island</b>	16	6	16 and 6	1 a.m. to	First 12 mos. No	17 and 6 mos.		50 (10)

<sup>10</sup> Pennsylvania has a nighttime restriction in the permit stage from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction		Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
(BELT, CELL, CCF, DE, RECPR, TEXT)			mos.	5 a.m.	more than one passenger under age 21 (immediate family members exempt).		
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(1/1/1999)</i>	<i>(1/1/1999)</i>	<i>(1/1/1999)</i>	<i>(7/9/2005)</i>	<i>(7/9/2005)</i>	<i>(7/17/2003)</i>
<b>South Carolina (CCF, DE)</b>	15	6	15 and 6 mos.	6 p.m. to 6 a.m. EST 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. EDT (w/exceptions for teen with special restricted licenses)	No more than 2 passengers unless supervised by driver at least 21 (family members and students to and from school exempt).	16 and 6 mos.	40 (10)

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction		Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(3/5/2002)</i>	<i>(3/5/2002)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(3/5/2002)</i>	<i>(3/5/2002)</i>	<i>(3/5/2002)</i>
<b>South Dakota</b> (CCF, CELL*, TEXT*)	14	6 (3 with driver ed)	14 and 6 months (14 and 3 months w/driver ed.)	10 p.m. to 6 a.m.	None	16	None
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(1/1/1999)</i>	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(7/1/2004)</i>		<i>(since at least 1995)</i>	
<b>Tennessee</b> (BELT, CCF, CELL, RECPR, TEXT)	15	6	16 (17; unrestrict-ed license available)	11 p.m. to 6 a.m.	No more than 1 passenger unless supervised by 21-year-old driver (family members exempt).	17	50 (10)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(7/1/2001)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(7/1/2001)</i>	<i>(7/1/2001)</i>	<i>(7/1/2001)</i>	<i>(7/1/2001)</i>

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<b>Texas</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	15 <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	6 <i>(1/1/2002)</i>	16 <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	Midnight to 5 a.m. * <i>(1/1/2002)</i>	No more than 1 passenger under 21 (family members exempt). * <i>(1/1/2002)</i>	18 <i>(9/1/2013)</i>		30 (10) <i>(9/1/2013)</i>
<b>Utah</b> (CELL, DE, BELT, RECPR, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	15 <i>(8/1/2006)</i>	6 <i>(8/1/2006)</i>	16 <i>(prior to 1995)</i>	Midnight to 5 a.m. <i>(7/1/1999)</i>	First 6 months no passengers under 21 (family members exempt). * <i>(7/1/2001)</i>	Night: 17 <i>(7/1/1999)</i>	Passenger: 16 and 6 mos. <i>(7/1/2001)</i>	40 (10) <i>(7/1/2004)</i>
<b>Vermont</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, TEXT)	15	12	16	None	First 3 months no passengers except parent, guardian, or licensed driver over 25. Second 3	16 and 6 mos.		40 (10)

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	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(7/1/2000)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>		months same as first 3 months (family members exempt). * <i>(7/1/2000)</i>	<i>(7/1/2000)</i>	<i>(7/1/2000)</i>
<b>Virginia</b> (CELL, RECPR, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	15 and 6 mos.  <i>(7/1/2001)</i>	9  <i>(7/1/2001)</i>	16 and 3 mos.  <i>(7/1/2001)</i>	Midnight to 4 a.m. *  <i>(7/1/2001)</i>	First 12 months no more than 1 passenger under 21. Until age 18 no more than 3 passengers under 21 (family members exempt). * <i>(7/1/2013)</i>	18  <i>(7/1/2001)</i>	45 (15)  <i>(7/1/2008)</i>
<b>Washington</b> (CELL, CCF, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	15 (enrolled)	6	16	1 a.m. to 5 a.m. *	First 6 months no passengers under 20	17 (nighttime and	50 (10)

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	in driver's ed); 15 and 6 mos. (not enrolled in driver's ed) <i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(7/1/2001)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(7/1/2001)</i>	(family members exempt). Second 6 months no more than 3 passengers under 20. * <i>(7/1/2001)</i>	passenger restrictions lifted) 18 (all restrictions automatically lifted) <i>(7/1/2001)</i>	<i>(7/1/2001)</i>
<b>West Virginia</b> (BELT, CCF, DE, CELL, RECPR, TEXT)	15	6	16	10 p.m. to 5 a.m.	First 6 months no passengers under 20; second 6 months no more than one passenger under 20 (family members exempt)	17	50 (10) (none w/driver ed.)

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	Minimum Age	Holding Period (Months)	Minimum Age	Nighttime Driving Restriction	Passenger Restriction		Number of Hours (indicated hours required at night)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(1/1/2001)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(7/10/2009)</i>	<i>(7/10/2009)</i>	<i>(1/1/2001)</i>	<i>(7/10/2009)</i>
<b>Wisconsin</b> (CCF, CELL, DE, RECPR, TEXT)	15 and 6 mos.	6	16	Midnight to 5 a.m.	No more than 1 peer passenger (family members exempt).	16 and 9 mos. (nighttime and passenger limits lifted) 18 (probationary period of GDL completed)	30 (10)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(9/1/2000)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(9/1/2000)</i>	<i>(9/1/2000)</i>	<i>(9/1/2000)</i>	<i>(2/1/2000)</i>
<b>Wyoming</b> (DE, RECPR, TEXT <sup>A</sup> )	15	10 Days	16	11 p.m. to 5 a.m.	No more than 1 passenger younger than 18 (family members exempt).	16 and 6 mos. (w/driver's ed.) 17 (w/out driver's ed.)	50 (10)
	<i>(prior to 1991)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(prior to 1995)</i>	<i>(9/16/2005)</i>	<i>(9/16/2005)</i>	<i>(9/16/2005)</i>	<i>(9/16/2005)</i>

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CELL – States with Cell Phone Prohibitions for Teen Drivers (<sup>A</sup> no teen driver prohibition but state bans handheld cell phone use for all drivers; <sup>B</sup> hands-free use permitted)

CCF – States with Crash Conviction-Free Provisions

DE – States with Driver Education Requirements

BELT – States with Seat Belt Provisions

RECPR – Permits Holders from Another State Can Drive in this State

TEXT – States with Text Messaging Ban for Teen Drivers (<sup>A</sup> included in text messaging ban for all drivers)

\* Restriction is secondarily enforced

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