

# Chapter 1 : You Are The Driver (p. 4 - 17)

## I. You Are Part Of The System

1. Identify the three parts of the Highway Transportation System (HTS).

1. People      2. Vehicles      3. Roadways

2. What is the purpose of the Highway Transportation System?

To move people/cargo in a safe, efficient, economical manner.

3. List ways in which each of the following are involved with the HTS.

People : Walk, drive, or ride (Roadway users)

Vehicles : Cars, vans, trucks, buses, campers, tractors, bikes, motorcycles

Roadways : Gravel roads, Interstate highways, (Weather conditions)

4. What is the most important part of the Highway Transportation System?

Responsible, low-risk drivers

5. List the five forms of enforcement used to regulate the Highway Transportation System.

1. Laws (vehicle code)    2. Enforcement Agencies    3. Driver/Vehicle Standards  
4. Courts                      5. Engineers (highway)

## II. Your Driving Task

1. Define the term driving task.

Driving Task - all the social, physical, + mental skills required to drive

2. How are the following skills needed to perform the driving task with low-risk results?

Social Skills : Show courtesy + cooperation

Physical Skills : Physically able to control the vehicle

Mental Skills : Sound decision-making

3. What are the four steps of the IPDE Process?

1. Identify    2. Predict    3. Decide    4. Execute

4. What are two other systems that help you use the IPDE Process?

1. Smith System (seeing habits)    2. Zone Control System (space management)

5. Defensive driving results from applying the IPDE Process.

**III. Your Driving Responsibilities****1. Driving is a right, not a privilege.**

Circle One :

True

False**2. List three characteristics of drivers with positive and reckless attitudes.**

Positive 1. Respectful 2. Patient 3. Understanding  
 Reckless 1. Attention-seeking 2. Road Rage 3. Impulsive

**3. What is the difference between a collision and an accident?**

Collision - vehicle hits another object (predictable cause)  
Accident - collision happening by chance (less accurate)

**4. List five causes of collisions.**

1. Speeding 2. Following too close 3. No safety belt on  
 4. Inebriated 5. Fatigue

**5. What is the most common cause of traffic-related accidents and deaths?**

Lack of experience (Driver error!)

**6. What are two financial responsibilities of drivers?**

1. Damage (self or others) 2. Vehicle-related costs (fuel, maintenance)

**7. List five ways a driver can make environmentally-responsible choices.**

1. Buy fuel-efficient vehicle (hybrid)  
 2. Fuel-efficient driving habits (slow acceleration)  
 3. Recycle materials (batteries, tires, oil, etc.)  
 4. Car pools / Public transportation  
 5. Become political (support environment policies)

**IV. Your Driver's License****1. Driving is one of the most dangerous activities you will ever do.**

Circle One :

True

False

**2. Define the term graduated driver licensing program.**

Graduated Driver Licensing Program - requirement of young drivers to progress through a series of licensing stages

3. What is the allowed blood alcohol concentration (BAC) for drivers in the GDL Program?

0 %

4. List the rules pertaining to each stage of the GDL Program.

1. Learner's Permit Stage <sup>(Instructional)</sup> (15-16) - (Held for 12 months)

- : Permit issued when supervised by licensed adult
- : Violation/Collision free (6 months)
- : Safety belts worn by all occupants
- : Practice driving required with parents (Suggested)

2. Intermediate License Stage

- : Completion of driver's education program
- : Supervised driving continued (Suggested)
- : Seat belts worn by all occupants
- : Restricted late night driving (5:00 am - 10:00 pm)
- : Limited number of passengers
- : Violation/Collision free (6 months - can "re-set")
- : Increased penalties

3. Full-Privilege License Stage

- : Successfully complete Intermediate License Stage
- : Complete advanced driver's ed (Some states)

5. Why would a licensed driver consider being part of the Organ Donor Program?

Help others in the event of accident-related death  
(Inform family members of choice)

6. When you get your driver's license, you agree to alcohol tests upon request.

Circle One :

True

False

7. What is the name of of this agreement?

Implied Consent

8. Why do you want to take driver's education? Be honest!

- Answers vary.