Teen Traffic Safety:
Navigating the Road
to Responsible
Driving

Stay Safe, Drive Smart

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### Driver & Traffic Safety for Teens



High Accident Rate/Lifelong Impact



Graduated
Driver's
Licensing/Person
al Responsibility



Distracted/Impaired /Speeding/ Aggressive Driving



**Seat Belts** 



Weather/Road Conditions/Vehicle Maintenance



Fatigue Awareness



Community
Involvement/Positive
Role Models





## High Accident Rate and it's Lifelong Impact

Leading In 2020, about 2800 teens died in crashes – cause of death for U.S. Teens 333 were in Florida Risk is highest during the first months of licensing VEHICLE CRASHES Inexperience is the leading Nighttime driving is riskier than daytime for all ages contributor

Source: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/injury/features/teen-drivers/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/injury/features/teen-drivers/index.html</a>



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**FLORIDA HIGHWAY SAFETY** 

**AND MOTOR VEHICLES** 

Graduated Driver's Licensing

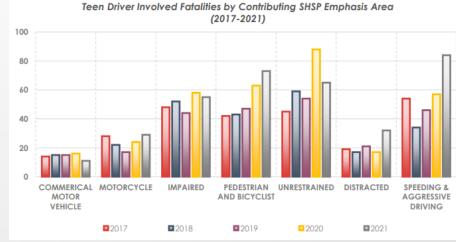
LICENSE **HOURS** NOTE: **TYPE** ALWAYS accompanied by a licensed driver 21+ Must hold for a minimum of Daylight hours for first three 12 months or until 18th Learner's months after license issued birthday, whichever comes License until 10 p.m. after three months first. Required 50 hours of supervised driving, 10 of which must be at night. Unless driving to or from **Driver License** NOT between 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. work OR accompanied by a 16 years old licensed driver 21+ Unless driving to or from **Driver License** NOT between 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. work OR accompanied by a 17 years old licensed driver 21+

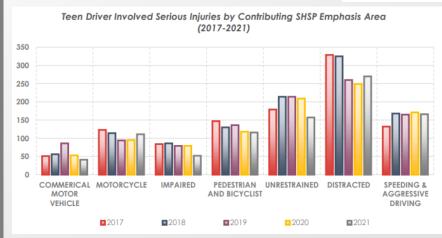
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#### Distracted, Impaired, Speeding & Aggressive Driving





Source: <a href="https://flteensafedriver.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Teen-Safe-Driving-Coalition-Fact-Sheet 2023 v4 FINAL.pdf">https://flteensafedriver.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Teen-Safe-Driving-Coalition-Fact-Sheet 2023 v4 FINAL.pdf</a>





Seatbelts

Low seat belt usage among teen drivers

Critical need for awareness



Majority of teenagers in fatal crashes found unbuckled

Invincibility or belief in the right to choose

Teenagers underestimate seat belt importance

Source: <a href="https://www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/teen-driving">https://www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/teen-driving</a>

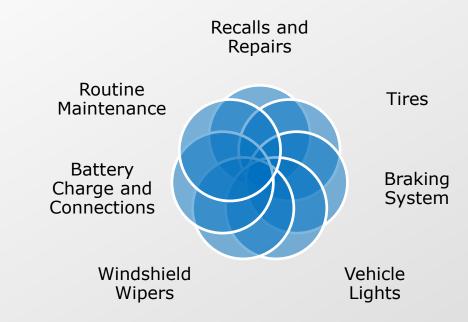


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Weather/Road Conditions and Vehicle Maintenance



Source: <a href="https://www.flhsmv.gov/safety-center/vehicle-safety/maintaining-a-road-ready-vehicle/">https://www.flhsmv.gov/safety-center/vehicle-safety/maintaining-a-road-ready-vehicle/</a>



#### **Drowsy Driving**

1 in 5 fatal crashes involves a drowsy driver

Roughly 30% of drowsy driver crashes are teens drivers

Teens need 8-10 hours of sleep nightly

Teens getting less than 8-10 hours typically engage in high-risk behaviors



Source: <a href="https://www.ntsb.gov/Advocacy/safety-alerts/Documents/SA-061.pdf">https://www.ntsb.gov/Advocacy/safety-alerts/Documents/SA-061.pdf</a>



## Community Involvement & Positive Role Models







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