

CLASS E – LEARNER’S PERMIT REQUIREMENTS - MINORS

DRIVER EDUCATION

All applicants must successfully complete a driver education course. These courses are offered by driving schools licensed by the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles and at some secondary schools. A list of schools in your area is available at your local OMV or on our web site at www.expresslane.org. The driver education course offered for those applicants 15 to 17 years of age include 30 hours of classroom and 8 hours of behind the wheel instruction.

Effective 09/04/2018, the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles will implement the Temporary Instructional Permit (TIP). All students enrolled in a driver education on or after the effective date must present a TIP to the enrolled driver education provider. In addition, the student must have the TIP in their possession when operating a motor vehicle during the behind the wheel portion of instruction and when accompanied by a licensed driver education instructor or during the administration of a road skills test.

Upon completion of driver’s education, the TIP will be surrendered to OMV along with proof of completion of the driver’s education course and any other necessary documents. There is no additional cost to convert from the TIP to a Learner’s Permit.

IDENTIFICATION

Proof of identification is required. All minors must present the following identification:

- a. A certified birth certificate
- b. Verification of your Social Security number is required.
- c. certificate of Successful Completion from the driver education class attended.
- d. A custodial parent or legal guardian must sign the application. The parent must present identification and legal guardians also must present legal documentation verifying the guardianship.
- e. Temporary Instructional Permit
- f. Non-immigrant alien – These applicants require additional information. See the “Non-Immigrant Aliens” handout for additional information.

NOTE: OMV DOES NOT ACCEPT PHOTOCOPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS. GRADUATED

LICENSING PROGRAM

All applicants age 15 and 16 must participate in the graduated licensing program and must start with a learner’s permit. The applicant is authorized to drive with a licensed parent, guardian, or adult at least 21 years of age, or a licensed sibling at least 18 years of age or older. The applicant must pass a vision and knowledge test. Complete information on the graduated licensing program is available at your local OMV or on the web at www.expresslane.org.

- a. Applicants age 15 must maintain the learner’s permit for a minimum of 180 days AND until they reach the age of 16 when they may apply for an intermediate license.
- b. Applicants age 16 must maintain the learner’s permit for a minimum of 180 days OR until they reach the age of 17 when they may apply for an intermediate or full license.
- c. Applicants age 17 are eligible for either a learner’s permit or a full license. To obtain a full license, a vision and road skills test must be successfully completed.

TESTS

Tests must be successfully completed before the issuance of a license. The knowledge and skills tests are administered by the driver education provider. Only those students that obtain their driver education course from a secondary school that does not provide the knowledge or skills test may request OMV to provide the testing.

Study guides are available on the web at www.expresslane.org.

Learner's Permit

Vision – You must have 20/40 vision in one eye and must successfully pass a vision test. Knowledge – A 40 question test with a minimum score of 80% is required.

Full License - Must pass vision, knowledge and skills tests.

FEES

\$32.25 – the basic license fee

\$0 - \$6.00 service fee may be accessed at certain field offices.

Cash, check or credit/debit cards are acceptable forms of payment

All male applicants between the ages of 15 and 26 who are U.S. citizens will automatically be registered with the U.S. Selective Service System upon issuance of any credential by the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles.