

# Michigan Driver Ed

## Graduated Driver Licensing System

**Step 1:** Take Segment 1

**Step 2:** Get Level 1 Learner's License (permit)

**Step 3:** Practice driving for at least 30 hours

**Step 4:** Take Segment 2

**Step 5:** Take a Driving Skills Test

**Step 6:** Get Level 2 Intermediate License

If the student hasn't had an accident or committed a violation in 12 months, they're ready for their Level 3 license!

### Why is driver education broken up into parts?

Driver education in Michigan is segmented so that students can gain mastery of the road before getting their license. This three-phase process is called the Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL) system. "GDL is a driver licensing system designed to teach teens to drive by gradually increasing their driving privileges as they advance through the system. GDL consists of two segments of driver education instruction and three licensing levels," (michigan.gov/sos). The three licensing levels in GDL are:

1. Level 1 license/permit, which is received after completing Segment 1.
2. Level 2 license, which is an intermediate license that limits passengers and prohibits unsupervised night driving between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. The student receives this license in the mail automatically after completing Segment 2 and a road test.
3. Level 3 license, which is a full-privilege driver's license. This license is issued by mail once the student turns 17 and has successfully completed all the driving requirements.

### Why All Star Driver Education?

- ★ Available at a convenient location near you!
- ★ Instructors are FBI background checked and exceed state training requirements.
- ★ Instructors are required to take training in CPR, first aid and sexual harassment prevention.
- ★ State-of-the-art training vehicles with GPS tracking.
- ★ Proprietary curriculum with videos and games to help students retain important concepts.
- ★ Ticket Free Guarantee!

# The Road to Freedom

## STEP 1: SEGMENT 1

The student must be at least **14 years and 8 months** old and have permission from a parent or guardian to begin Segment 1. The class consists of 24 hours of classroom time, six hours of in-car training with a certified instructor and four hours of pure observation.

## STEP 3: PRACTICE DRIVING

The student should start the required 30 hours of behind-the-wheel practice, including two hours of night driving, with a licensed parent, guardian or adult who is at least 21 years old during the three months between Segment 1 and Segment 2. Make sure to keep a detailed drive log, which can be found at [www.Michigan.gov/documents/SOS/Michigan\\_Supervised\\_Driving\\_Log\\_572744\\_7.PDF](http://www.Michigan.gov/documents/SOS/Michigan_Supervised_Driving_Log_572744_7.PDF). The student should also let their car insurance company know that they are on the road.

## STEP 5: DRIVING SKILLS TEST

Once the student has had their permit for six months and has completed 50 hours of behind-the-wheel practice with 10 hours of night driving, they are ready to take the driving skills test! The test will include a car inspection (whether the car is rented from us or not), a basic control skills test and an on-road driving test. Make sure to bring the completed drive log and the Segment 2 Certificate of Completion.

**When the student turns 17, if they haven't had an accident or committed a violation in 12 months, their license will automatically upgrade to a Level 3 license! For more info, visit [AllStarDE.com/how-to-Michigan](http://AllStarDE.com/how-to-Michigan).**

## STEP 2: GET LEVEL 1 LICENSE

Once the student passes Segment 1, they will receive a Certificate of Completion by email. They may now apply for their Level 1 license (permit) at the Secretary of State with a parent or guardian. Please note that there is a \$25 fee. A photo will be taken and they will leave with a permit receipt, which can be used in place of a permit until their hard license arrives in the mail. Please visit [www.Michigan.gov/documents/GDL\\_Parent\\_16316\\_7.PDF](http://www.Michigan.gov/documents/GDL_Parent_16316_7.PDF) for a list of the documents required to obtain a permit and for information on permit driving restrictions.

## STEP 4: SEGMENT 2

Segment 2 is a three-day course that consists of six hours of classroom time. In order to begin Segment 2, **the student must have had a permit for at least three months** in addition to a drive log that accounts for the required amount of behind-the-wheel practice. There will be a written exam at the end of Segment 2.

## STEP 6: GET LEVEL 2 LICENSE

Once the student turns 16 and has met the requirements above, their Level 1 license will automatically upgrade to a Level 2 license. This license will be mailed to them from the Secretary of State. Please note that if the student's Level 1 license was issued before March 16th, 2021, they will need to go in-person to a local SOS office to apply for their Level 2 license. Visit [www.Michigan.gov/documents/GDL\\_Parent\\_16316\\_7.PDF](http://www.Michigan.gov/documents/GDL_Parent_16316_7.PDF) for a list of the requirements needed to obtain a Level 2 license and a list of Level 2 license restrictions.