NEW YORK STATE OF OPPORTUNITY. Department of Motor Vehicles

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT LEARNER'S PERMITS

New York State law requires drivers to use safety restraints when driving any motor vehicle that is required to be equipped with safety restraints. When a vehicle is operated by a driver who has a Class DJ learner permit, every passenger in the vehicle must use a safety restraint (a seat belt, a combination seat belt and shoulder harness, a child restraint seat).

If you have a learner permit, the following restrictions apply to you:

- ♦ You may not operate a vehicle unless a supervising driver is in the vehicle with you. The supervising driver must be age 21 or older and must have a valid license to operate the type of vehicle you are in. If the vehicle is a motorcycle or moped, only the supervising driver may ride on it with you. However, rather than ride on the motorcycle or moped with you, the supervising driver may provide "general supervision" by following you and staying within one-quarter mile of you, keeping you in sight at all times.
- ♦ You are not allowed to operate a vehicle that contains hazardous materials.
- You may not operate a vehicle in any area designated by DMV as a road test area, except when you take a road test.
- ◆ You may not drive a vehicle on the following roads:
 - ❖ Any street that is within a park in New York City
 - ❖ Any bridge or tunnel in New York City that is under the jurisdiction of the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority
 - * The following parkways in Westchester County:
 - Hutchinson River Pkwy.
- Cross County Pkwy.
- Saw Mill River Pkwy.
- Taconic State Pkwy.

<u>In addition to the restrictions listed above, the following restrictions apply to any person who has a Class DJ or</u> Class MJ learner permit:

- ◆ No more than 1 passenger under the age of 21 who is not a family member is allowed in the vehicle. This does not apply if the supervising driver is a parent, guardian, driver education teacher or driving school instructor.
- ◆ No passenger is allowed to sit in the front seat, except for the supervising driver.
- If you drive in the 3 regions shown in the table below, you must follow the rules that are described for each region:

| NEW YORK CITY (ALL 5 BOROUGHS) | LONG ISLAND (NASSAU & SUFFOLK) | UPSTATE NEW YORK (ALL OTHER COUNTIES) |
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| 5 AM to 9 PM | 5 AM to 9 PM | 5 AM to 9 PM |
| You may only drive when in a vehicle with dual controls (an instructor's brake) and when you are accompanied by a parent, guardian, person in "loco parentis", driver education teacher, or driving school instructor who is age 21 or older and has a valid driver license to operate the type of vehicle you are in. | You may only drive when you are accompanied by a parent, guardian, person in "loco parentis", driver education teacher, or driving school instructor who is age 21 or older and has a valid driver license to operate the type of vehicle you are in. | You may only drive when you are accompanied by a person age 21 or older who has a valid driver license to operate the type of vehicle you are in. |
| 9 PM to 5 AM | 9 PM to 5 AM | 9 PM to 5 AM |
| YOU MUST NOT DRIVE under any circumstances. | YOU MUST NOT DRIVE under any circumstances. | You may only drive when accompanied by a parent, guardian, person in "loco parentis" driver education teacher, or driving school instructor who is age 21 or older and has a valid driver license to operate the type of vehicle you are in. |