

CHAPTER 128**DRIVER'S LICENSE ISSUANCE REQUIREMENTS**

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AN ACT relating to the requirements for issuance of intermediate driver's licenses and full driver's licenses and providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 321.180B, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

The department may issue an intermediate driver's license to a person sixteen or seventeen years of age who possesses an instruction permit issued under subsection 1 or a comparable instruction permit issued by another state for a minimum of six months immediately preceding application, and who presents an affidavit signed by a parent or guardian on a form to be provided by the department that the permittee has accumulated a total of twenty hours of street or highway driving of which two hours were conducted after sunset and before sunrise and the street or highway driving was with the permittee's parent, guardian, instructor, a person certified by the department, or a person at least twenty-five years of age who had written permission from a parent or guardian to accompany the permittee, and whose driving privileges have not been suspended, revoked, or barred under this chapter or chapter 321J during, and who has been accident and conviction free continuously for, the six-month period immediately preceding the application for an intermediate license. An applicant for an intermediate license must meet the requirements of section 321.186, including satisfactory completion of driver education as required in section 321.178, and payment of the required license fee before an intermediate license will be issued. A person issued an intermediate license must limit the number of passengers in the motor vehicle when the intermediate licensee is operating the motor vehicle to the number of passenger safety belts.

Sec. 2. Section 321.180B, subsection 4, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

4. FULL DRIVER'S LICENSE. A full driver's license may be issued to a person seventeen years of age who possesses an intermediate license issued under subsection 2 or a comparable intermediate license issued by another state for a minimum of twelve months immediately preceding application, and who presents an affidavit signed by a parent or guardian on a form to be provided by the department that the intermediate licensee has accumulated a total of ten hours of street or highway driving of which two hours were conducted after sunset and before sunrise and the street or highway driving was with the licensee's parent, guardian, instructor, a person certified by the department, or a person at least twenty-five years of age who had written permission from a parent or guardian to accompany the licensee, whose driving privileges have not been suspended, revoked, or barred under this chapter or chapter 321J during, and who has been accident and conviction free continuously for, the twelve-month period immediately preceding the application for a full driver's license, and who has paid the required fee.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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