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Start Smart

What is Start Smart?

- The Start Smart program is a **cooperative effort** between the Thousand Oaks Police Department, teenage drivers, and their parents/guardians.
- A **proactive** attempt to educate newly licensed and future licensed teenage drivers.

What are our goals?

- To help young drivers and their parents/guardians understand the responsibilities associated with driving a motor vehicle.
- To show how a poor choice behind the wheel can change the lives of everyone involved.
- To reduce the number of teen-related injuries and deaths due to collisions.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.... *the leading cause of **DEATH** for Americans 15-20 years old is motor vehicle collisions.*

The Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System.... *reported teen drivers are found at fault in 66% of all **FATAL** collisions that they are involved in, although they only represent 4% of the state's licensed drivers.*

When: Thursday May 14th, 2009, 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Where: Thousand Oaks Police Department
2101 E. Olsen Road, Thousand Oaks

Contact: Senior Deputy Kelly Roark, (805) 494-8245

There is no fee to attend this program.



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Vehicle Codes

27315 CVC- Seatbelt – No person shall operate a motor vehicle unless that person and passengers are restrained by a seatbelt.

- Properly wear a seatbelt while operating a motor vehicle.
- Responsible for passengers in vehicle.
- Passenger under 16 years – driver receives a citation.
- Passenger 16 years and over – both driver and passenger could receive citation.
- Average total fine on 1st offense including court costs approximately \$124.00.

23124(b) CVC – Cell Phone – A person under the age of 18, shall not drive a motor vehicle while using a wireless telephone, even if equipped with a hands-free device.

- Texting included (2009).
- 1st offense - \$20.00 fine.
- Each subsequent offense additional \$50.00 fine.
- Minimum 1st offense fine including court fees– approximately \$124.00 and up.

23136 CVC – Preliminary Alcohol Screening Device – Unlawful for a person under the age of 21 to operate a motor vehicle with a blood alcohol level of .01% or greater.

- Automatic one year suspension of driver's license.
- Fines approximately \$399.00 to over \$1000.00.
- 23140 CVC – under 21 with .05% BAC. (arrest and booking/additional fines/restrictions/probation)

12814.6 CVC – Provisional Driver's License – Provisional for first 12 months.

- Shall not (A) drive between the hours of 11PM and 5AM.
- (B) Transport passengers under the age of 20; unless accompanied by and supervised by a licensed parent/guardian or a licensed driver 25 years of age or older.
- **Exceptions:** medical necessity, employment necessity, schooling or school, authorized activity, parental permission, emancipated minor.
- 1st offense – 8 to 16 hours community service, fine \$35.00, **1 point on license.**
- 2nd offense in 12 months – additional \$50.00 fine, 30 day restriction added (only drive with parent.)
- 3rd offense and up – license suspended for six months, court probation for 1 year, additional fines.