



Graduated Driver Licensing Your Guide

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make our
roads safer”

- Novice and supervising drivers
- Three licence stages
- Questions and Answers



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Purpose of this Guide

This booklet outlines the Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL) program for the novice driver and supervising drivers. It is a handy reference for understanding the driving restrictions in the GDL program and provides other related information.

What is GDL?

GDL is a three-stage program designed to help new drivers, regardless of age, acquire the knowledge and skill needed to safely operate a motor vehicle. Whether you are 16 or 60, GDL enables new drivers to gain more experience under a greater variety of driving conditions.



The three licence stages of GDL are: Learner (minimum nine months), Intermediate (minimum 15 months), and Full (for the first three years). Each stage has specific restrictions on the new driver that will reduce the opportunity and likelihood for them to engage in risky driving behaviour.

Why GDL?

GDL is intended to reduce accidents among new drivers by allowing them to gain valuable driving experience under controlled conditions, thereby lowering the risk of vehicle collisions. Statistics show that new drivers are three times more likely to have an accident than experienced drivers. GDL does not discriminate by age, gender or geographic location.

Who is included in GDL?

GDL applies to all new applicants that are entering the driver licensing system and who are applying for a:

- Class 5 licence and have never held a licence before
- Class 6 licence and have never held a class 6 licence before

GDL will not apply to:

- drivers who held a licence of any class (1–6 or 7) or stage before April 1, 2002
- drivers who held a Motorcycle Instruction Permit before April 1, 2002
- experienced drivers whose licence is changed to a Learner Stage due to a test failure
- experienced out-of-province drivers who are required to take full driver examinations on transferring to a Manitoba driver's licence
- drivers who hold a Full Class 5 licence and want to learn to drive class 1–4 vehicles

Drivers who do not hold a Full licence will be issued an “Authorized Instruction” licence (Stage A) in the appropriate class(es), and will be subject to zero blood alcohol content while holding the “Authorized Instruction” licence (Stage A) in a Class 5 and/or Class 6.

Graduated Driver Licensing Stages for Class 5 Drivers (Passenger Vehicles and Light Trucks)



The Class 5 Driver Licence Stages are:

- L** Learner Stage
- I** Intermediate Stage
- F** Full Stage

Each stage has specific restrictions on the new driver that will reduce the opportunity and likelihood for them to engage in risky driving behaviour. Time within the Learner and Intermediate Stages is only earned if the driver holds a valid licence. The driver will not earn credit for time served in the stage if their licence is suspended, prohibited or expired.

Class 5 Learner (L) Stage (minimum nine months)

To apply for a Class 5 Learner licence, you must:

- be at least 16 years of age, or a minimum of 15 years, six months and enrolled in a high school driver education course
- have parental consent if you are under 18 years of age

- pass a knowledge (written) test and meet the vision and medical standards. If you fail the knowledge test, you must wait a minimum of seven days before you may take another knowledge test
- pay the prescribed licence charges and insurance premiums

During the Learner Stage, you must follow these restrictions:

- maintain zero blood alcohol content
- be accompanied by a supervising driver who:
 - is the only front seat passenger
 - holds a valid, minimum Class 5 Full Stage licence
 - has held a Full Class 5 licence for at least three years
 - is under .05 blood alcohol content
- limit other passengers in the back seat(s) up to the number of functioning seatbelts

While in the Learner Stage, you are **not** allowed to:

- tow vehicles
- operate Class 3 motor vehicles registered as a farm truck
- operate off-road vehicles along or across a highway (unless driver holds a minimum Class 6 Intermediate Stage licence)

You may apply for a Motorcycle (Class 6) Learner Licence, however you may not apply for Authorized Instruction in Classes 1–4 (Commercial). You may operate a moped providing you are at least 16 years of age.

Class 5 Intermediate (I) Stage (minimum 15 months)

To graduate to this stage, you must pass the Class 5 road test. If you fail the road test, you must wait a minimum of 14 days before you may take another road test.

During the Intermediate Stage, you must follow these restrictions:

- maintain zero blood alcohol content
- limit passengers:
 - 5 a.m. to midnight – to one passenger in the front seat and up to the number of functioning seatbelts in the back seat(s)
 - midnight to 5 a.m. – either one passenger, or when accompanied by a qualified supervising driver in the front seat you may have additional passengers up to the number of functioning seatbelts in the back seat(s)



During the Class 5 Intermediate Stage, you may:

- tow vehicles
- operate a Class 3 motor vehicle registered as a farm truck
- operate off-road vehicles along or across a highway
- apply for Authorized Instruction in licence Classes 1–4 if you are 18 years of age or older and meet the vision and medical standards

You are only required to complete the Intermediate Stage once. Credit for time served in the Intermediate Stage in Class 5 will be given for the Intermediate Stage in Class 6 and vice versa.

Class 5 Full (F) Stage*

On completion of the 15-month Intermediate Stage, you will graduate to the Full Licence Stage. Drivers in the Full Stage:

- must maintain zero blood alcohol content for the first 36 months
- may upgrade to Full Class 1–4 after passing the appropriate tests
- may supervise novice drivers after three years in the Full Stage

*The law about blood alcohol content (BAC) is changing as of December 2006.

If you enter the GDL program *before* the law changes:

- you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 12 months.

If you enter the GDL program *after* the law has changed:

- you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 36 months.

Graduated Driver Licensing Stages for Class 6 Drivers (Motorcycles)



The Class 6 Driver Licence Stages are:

- M** Motorcycle Training Course Stage – permits operation of a motorcycle while taking the motorcycle training course only
- L** Learner Stage
- I** Intermediate Stage
- F** Full Stage

Each stage has specific restrictions imposed on the new driver that will reduce the opportunity and likelihood for them to engage in risky driving behaviour. Time within the Learner and Intermediate Stages is only earned if the driver holds a valid licence. The driver will not earn credit for time served in the stage if their licence is suspended, prohibited or expired.

To apply for a Class 6 (Motorcycle) licence, you must:

- hold a valid licence of any other class and be at least 16 years of age
- pass a knowledge (written) test and meet the vision and medical standards. If you fail the knowledge test, you must wait a minimum of seven days before you may take another knowledge test
- successfully complete an approved Motorcycle Training Course

Motorcycle Training Course

Prior to obtaining a Motorcycle Learner Licence, first-time motorcycle applicants must complete an approved Motorcycle Training Course. On the successful completion of the knowledge (written) test you will be issued a motorcycle M Stage licence that will allow you take the Motorcycle Training Course only.

The Motorcycle Training Course is an approved one-day practical course that will provide the new motorcyclist with the basic skills required to operate a motorcycle. It is a user pay course offered at designated locations throughout the province. Contact your nearest Autopac agent or Manitoba Public Insurance Customer Service Centre for further information on the recognized motorcycle training course or visit our Web site at www.mpi.mb.ca.

Time spent in the M stage **does not** count toward the nine-month Learner Stage.

Class 6 Learner (L) Stage (*minimum nine months*)

On successful completion of the Motorcycle Training Course, you will be issued a certificate that you must present to your Autopac agent, Manitoba Public Insurance Customer Service Centre, Driver Licensing and Driver Testing Centre, or mobile testing unit before the Class 6 Learner Stage licence will be issued.

Once you have your Class 6 Learner Stage licence, you may operate a motorcycle following these restrictions:

- maintain zero blood alcohol content while operating a motorcycle
- carry no passengers

While in the Class 6 Learner Stage, you are **not** allowed to:

- drive at night (½ hour before sunset to ½ hour after sunrise)
- tow vehicles
- operate off-road vehicles along or across a highway (unless driver holds a minimum Class 5 Intermediate Stage licence)

Class 6 Intermediate (I) Stage (minimum 15 months)

To graduate to this stage, you must pass the Class 6 road test. If you fail the road test, you must wait a minimum of 14 days before you may take another road test.

During the Class 6 Intermediate Stage, you:

- must maintain zero blood alcohol content
- may carry a passenger
- may tow a vehicle
- may operate off-road vehicles along or across highways

You are only required to complete the Intermediate Stage once. Credit for time served in the Intermediate Stage in Class 6 will be given for the Intermediate Stage in Class 5 and vice versa.

Class 6 Full (F) Stage*

On completion of the 15-month Intermediate Stage, you will graduate to the Full Licence Stage.

For the first 36 months, you must continue to maintain zero blood alcohol content while operating a motorcycle.



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If you enter the GDL program **after** the law has changed:

- you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 36 months.

Authorized Instruction

Learner drivers who are not in GDL will be issued an Authorized Instruction licence (Stage A).

This includes:

- Class 5 drivers who held a learner licence (Class 7 with authorized instruction in Classes 1–5) before April 1, 2002
- Class 6 drivers who held a Motorcycle Instruction Permit before April 1, 2002
- experienced drivers whose licence is changed to a ‘learner’ due to a test failure
- experienced drivers from out-of-province who are required to take full driver examinations upon transferring to a Manitoba driver’s licence
- Learner drivers in Classes 1–4

Class 5 Stage A drivers must follow the following restrictions:

- maintain a zero blood alcohol content
- be accompanied by a supervising driver as the only front seat passenger. The supervising driver must be under .05 blood alcohol content, must hold a valid licence and have held a Full Class 5 licence for at least three years
- may not operate a Class 3 vehicle registered as a farm truck
- may not operate off-road vehicles along or across a highway (unless driver holds a minimum Class 6 Intermediate Stage licence)

Class 6 Stage A drivers must follow the following restrictions:

- must maintain zero blood alcohol content
- may not carry a passenger
- may not operate off-road vehicles along or across highways (unless driver holds a minimum Class 5 Intermediate licence)

Class 1– 4 Stage A drivers must follow the following restrictions:

- be accompanied by a supervising driver who:
 - holds a valid licence
 - has held a minimum Class 5 Full licence for at least three years, of which at least two years are in the class of vehicle being driven
 - must be under .05 blood alcohol content

Supervising Driver

A supervising driver must accompany a Class 5 learner driver and drivers with authorized instruction in Classes 1–5. The supervising driver provides on-road training and monitoring while new drivers are practising their driving. The supervising driver should be prepared to assume control of the vehicle if necessary.

The supervising driver must:

- hold a valid and continuous driver's licence in the class of vehicle being operated by the learner
- have held a minimum Class 5 Full licence for at least three years
- have held a licence in the class being operated for at least two years if a Class 1–4 vehicle is being operated
- be the only front seat passenger if supervising in a Class 5 vehicle
- occupy the seat nearest the driver if supervising in Class 1–4 vehicles
- have less than .05 blood alcohol content



- Class 6 Licence in the Learner or Intermediate Stage (while operating a motorcycle)
- Class 6 Licence in the Authorized Instruction Stage (while operating a motorcycle)
- Class 5 and/or Class 6 licence for the first 36 months in the Full Stage*

Consequences of Violating the Zero Blood Alcohol Content or GDL Restrictions

Anyone in GDL who is found in violation of the no alcohol requirement or other GDL restrictions will be faced with interventions and possible sanctions depending on the circumstances.

Drinking and Driving Violations

Novice drivers who **violate the zero blood alcohol content restriction** will:

- receive an immediate 24-hour roadside suspension, and
- be required to attend a hearing with Driver Improvement and Control to determine further sanctions.

If the novice driver is **over .08 blood alcohol content or refuses** to provide a sample, the existing tough drinking and driving countermeasures will apply that include:

- an immediate 24-hour roadside suspension
- an automatic vehicle impoundment for a minimum period of 30 days (depending on the blood alcohol content level or repeat offences)
- a three-month Administrative Licence Suspension
- a mandatory alcohol assessment
- a mandatory minimum one-year court-imposed licence prohibition
- a mandatory minimum one-year licence suspension upon conviction of a criminal code offence
- a licence reinstatement charge

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- you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 12 months.

If you enter the GDL program after the law has changed:

- you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 36 months.

GDL Restriction Violation

New drivers who are found in violation of any GDL restriction will be required to attend a Novice Driver Hearing with the Driver Improvement and Control Section of Driver and Vehicle Licensing. New drivers may also be required to attend a Novice Driver Hearing as a result of convictions or accident involvement.

At the hearing a Reviewing Officer will review the nature and circumstances of the incidences with the driver. The result of a hearing may include one or more of the following:

- a licence suspension
- a special driving course (at the driver's expense)
- passenger restrictions
- time of day restrictions
- other driving restrictions

Drivers may appeal the licence suspension, restriction or stage extension to the Licence Suspension Appeal Board on the grounds of hardship.



Insurance Coverage

If you are in violation of the no alcohol requirement or other GDL restrictions, you may be denied insurance coverage.

New Residents to Manitoba

When exchanging your out-of-province driver's licence for a Manitoba licence, you will receive credit toward the appropriate stage for the time you served in your home jurisdiction.



Learner Stage

If you held a Learner Licence in your previous home jurisdiction, you will be required to take the written (knowledge) and vision tests before a Manitoba Learner Stage licence will be issued. Credit will then be given toward the nine-month learning period for the time you held a Learner Licence in your previous home jurisdiction.

For example, if you held a learner licence for five months in the other jurisdiction, five months would be credited to the Manitoba nine-month learning period. If you held a learner licence for more than nine months, you may take the road test immediately.

Intermediate Stage

If you held an Intermediate Stage licence in your previous home jurisdiction, when transferring to a Manitoba licence, you will be issued an Intermediate Stage licence if you held the licence for less than 15 months. Credit will then be given toward the 15-month Intermediate Stage for the period you held the Intermediate Stage licence in your previous home jurisdiction.

For example, if you held an Intermediate Stage licence for 10 months in your previous home jurisdiction, 10 months would be credited to the Manitoba 15-month Intermediate Stage.

If you held an Intermediate Stage licence for more than 15 months in your previous licence jurisdiction, on transfer to the Manitoba licence, you will be issued a Manitoba Full Stage licence.

Full Stage*

If you held a Full Licence, you will be issued a Manitoba Full Stage licence. If you held a Full licence for less than three years, you will be subject to the zero blood alcohol content restriction. You may supervise a novice driver only if you have held a Full Licence for more than three years.

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- you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 12 months.

If you enter the GDL program *after* the law has changed:

- you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 36 months.

Questions & Answers

Q: *What age groups are affected by GDL?*

A: Manitoba's GDL program applies to all new drivers regardless of age, gender or geographic location. New drivers have the highest risk for accidents and GDL increases the opportunity to learn safe driving skills.

Q: *How do I obtain a Class 5 Learner Licence?*

A: First, buy a *Driver's Handbook* from your Autopac agent, Manitoba Public Insurance Customer Service Centre or any Driver Licensing and Driver Testing Centre. Or, you can get a copy from www.mpi.mb.ca. Once you have read the book and fully understand it, you are ready to take the written test. The test charge is \$10 (subject to change). If you are enrolled in a high school driver education course, you can obtain your Class 5 Learner Stage licence at age 15-1/2. If you are under 18 years of age, you require a parent or legal guardian's written approval.

Should you fail the written test, you will be required to wait seven days before you rewrite the test.

On passing the written test, in order to drive, you will be required to purchase a licence for \$20 plus applicable basic insurance premiums.

Q: *Why have zero blood alcohol content tolerance for new drivers?*

A: Driving is a complex task that requires full attention. Alcohol impairs skill and judgment. For new drivers, consuming even a small amount of alcohol could be extremely dangerous. The best way for drivers to ensure that they are alert is to avoid driving after drinking any alcohol.

Q: *Why is there a nine-month learning period before taking a road test?*

A: Manitobans experience every kind of driving condition. The nine-month learning period exposes new, inexperienced drivers to a wider variety of driving situations and weather conditions. Experts report that a longer learning period is essential to provide driving practice in a variety of conditions. It also allows the driver to gain experience in various driving environments. On completion of the nine-month learning period, the applicant may apply for a road test.

Q: *Who is allowed to teach me to drive a Class 5 vehicle?*

A: Any experienced driver who has held a full Class 5 licence for at least three years and currently holds a valid licence can supervise a learner driver in Class 5. The supervising driver must be the only front seat passenger. To supervise in Classes 1–4, you must have also held a class of licence in the vehicle being driven for at least two years.

Q: *If I hold a Class 5 Learner licence, can I also obtain Authorized Instruction in Classes 1–4?*

A: No. Since April 1, 2002 all new applicants who are subject to the nine-month learning period must pass a Class 5 road test (and must be at least 18 years of age) before they can obtain Authorized Instruction in Classes 1–4.

Once you pass the Class 5 road test and hold a Class 5 Intermediate Stage licence, you may apply for Authorized Instruction for Classes 1–4. Drivers who hold a Class 5 with Authorized Instruction (i.e. they held a minimum Class 5 “learner” licence before April 1, 2002) may also apply for Authorized Instruction in Classes 1–4.



Q: *Can teenagers drive a Class 3 truck registered as a farm truck to help with farm operations?*

A: Any driver, regardless of age, with a minimum Class 5 Intermediate Stage licence may operate a Class 3 vehicle registered as a farm truck. Therefore, teenage drivers with a Class 5 Full

or Intermediate Stage licence may operate a Class 3 vehicle registered as a farm truck. The GDL restrictions (such as zero blood alcohol content) will still apply while operating the farm truck.

Q: *Can a new driver operate an off-road vehicle (snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle, etc.) on a highway?*

A: To operate an off-road vehicle along or across a highway, a driver must hold at least a Class 5 or 6 Intermediate Stage licence and adhere to the licence restrictions in that stage when crossing a roadway. This also applies to off-road vehicles with more than two wheels and being used for agricultural purposes, when operated on the shoulder.

Q: *Have the licence eligibility requirements changed for obtaining a Class 6 motorcycle Learner licence?*

A: Yes. Effective January 1, 2003, in addition to passing the written and vision test, all new applicants are required to successfully complete the motorcycle training course before a Class 6 Learner Stage licence will be issued. To apply for the Class 6 Learner Stage licence, the applicant must be at least 16 years of age and hold a valid driver's licence of any other class.

Q: *I wish to obtain a motorcycle licence (Class 6) and I already hold a Full Class 5 licence, do I have to take the motorcycle training course?*

A: Yes. If you are applying for your first Class 6 Learner Stage licence you will be required to complete the motorcycle written test and the motorcycle-training course prior to being issued a Class 6 Learner Stage licence. Upon issuance of the Class 6 Learner Stage licence, you will be subject to the GDL restrictions while operating a motorcycle. As you already have a Full Class 1–5 driver's licence, you will not be required to complete the Intermediate Stage of the motorcycle licence. Once you successfully pass the motorcycle road test, you will automatically progress to the Full Stage of the motorcycle licence with a three year zero blood alcohol content restriction while operating the motorcycle.

Q: What happens if I violate the GDL restrictions?

- A:** If you violate the zero blood alcohol content restriction, you will:
- receive an immediate 24-hour roadside suspension
 - be required to attend a Novice Driver Hearing

If you are **over .08 blood alcohol content or refuse to** provide a sample, the existing tough drinking and driving countermeasures will apply.

If you are found in violation of other GDL restrictions, you will be requested to attend a Novice Driver Hearing.

As a result of the hearing, you may receive

- a licence suspension
- special driving courses (at your own expense)
- passenger restrictions
- time of day restrictions
- other driving restrictions

*For further information,
visit our web site at
www.mpi.mb.ca*

Driver Licensing and Driver Testing Centres

(Autopac service is not available at these locations)

IN WINNIPEG

Nairn Avenue

(Bilingual service provided)
1006 Nairn Avenue

Road tests for Classes 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Written tests for all classes

Garden Oaks Square

2188 McPhillips Street,

Road tests for Classes 4, 5 and 6

Written tests for all classes

Tuxedo Edge Shopping Centre

2020 Corydon Avenue,

Road tests for Classes 4 and 5

Written tests for all classes

OUTSIDE WINNIPEG

Written and road tests are available at the following locations as well as mobile testing locations throughout the Province:

Brandon

602 - 1st Street

Dauphin

Provincial Building
27 - 2nd Ave S.W.

Portage la Prairie

Provincial Building
25 Tupper Street N.

Thompson

Provincial Building
105 - 59 Elizabeth Dr.

Customer Service Centres

(Autopac and Driver Licensing only – No Driver Testing available at these locations)

IN WINNIPEG

Portage Avenue

1075 Portage Avenue

Cityplace

234 Donald Street

Main Floor

(Monday to Saturday)

To contact any of the locations listed here, call

(204) 985-7000

or

1-800-665-2410

Road Test Appointments

Road test applicants living in the cities of Winnipeg, Brandon, Dauphin, Portage la Prairie, Thompson or the municipalities of Headingley or East and West St. Paul, must be road tested in any one of the Driver Licensing and Driver Testing Centres. All other road test applicants may be tested at any mobile testing location or at any of the Driver Licensing and Driver Testing Centres.

Graduated Driver Licensing Class 5

Zero Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) Restricted	
To obtain	5 F (Full)
You Must	Complete Intermediate Stage
Stage Requirements and/or Restrictions	Full Stage* 3 years
5 L (Learner)	5 I (Intermediate)
Pass written test	Pass Class 5 road test
Learner Stage Minimum 9 months	Intermediate Stage* Minimum 15 months
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Minimum age 16 (if in a high school driver education course) · Minimum nine months in this stage, excluding licence interruptions · Zero Blood Alcohol Content · Only supervising driver as front seat passenger · Supervising driver must be a fully licenced driver for at least 3 years and be under .05 blood alcohol content · May carry passengers up to the number of functioning seatbelts in the rear of the vehicle · No towing of vehicles permitted · May not operate a Class 3 motor vehicle registered as a farm truck · May not operate off-road vehicles along or across highway · May not obtain Authorized Instruction in Classes 1 - 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Minimum 15 months in this stage, excluding licence interruptions · Zero Blood Alcohol Content · Passenger limits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · From 5 a.m. to midnight one passenger in the front seat and restricted to the number of functioning seatbelts in the rear of the vehicle; · Midnight to 5 a.m. – either one passenger, or when accompanied by a qualified supervising driver in the front seat you may have additional passengers up to the number of functioning seatbelts in the back seat(s) · May tow vehicles · May operate a Class 3 motor vehicle registered as a farm truck · May operate off-road vehicles along or across highway · May apply for Authorized Instruction in Class 1 - 4 if at least 18 years of age, and meet medical standards <p>* Time served in the Intermediate Stage in Class 6 will be applied to the Intermediate Stage in Class 5. Therefore a driver is only required to complete the Intermediate Stage once.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Zero Blood Alcohol Content restriction for first 36 months · May upgrade to "Full" Class 1 - 4 after passing appropriate tests · May supervise after 3 years in "Full" stage 	<p>* The law about blood alcohol content (BAC) is changing as of December 2006.</p> <p>If you enter the GDL program before the law changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 12 months. <p>if you enter the GDL program after the law has changed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 36 months.

Graduated Driver Licensing Class 6

To apply for a Class 6 you must first hold a valid driver's licence of any other class and be at least 16 years of age

Zero Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) Restricted	
To obtain	6 M (Motorcycle Course) Pass written test
You Must	6 L (Learner) Pass approved motorcycle training course
Stage Requirements and/or Restrictions	<p>Complete Motorcycle Training Course</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum nine months in this stage, excluding licence interruptions Zero Blood Alcohol Content No passengers No towing permitted No nighttime driving (½ hour before sunset to ½ hour after sunrise)
	6 I (Intermediate) Pass motorcycle road test
	Intermediate Stage* Minimum 15 months
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum 15 months in this stage, excluding licence interruptions Zero Blood Alcohol Content May carry a passenger May tow a vehicle May operate off-road vehicles along or across a highway
	6 F (Full) Complete Intermediate Stage
	Full Stage* 3 years
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zero Blood Alcohol Content restriction for first 36 months

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 ■ you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 12 months.

If you enter the GDL program **after** the law has changed:
 ■ you must have no alcohol in your blood for the first 36 months.

* Time served in the Intermediate Stage in Class 5 will be applied to the Intermediate Stage in Class 6. Therefore a driver is only required to complete the Intermediate Stage once.



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