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TO: All Interested Parties
FROM: Raymond P. Martinez, Acting Chief Administrator
New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission
DATE: March 22, 2010
SUBJECT: Graduated Driver License (GDL) Changes

Pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2009, c.37, known as “Kyleigh’s Law,” effective May 1, 2010 all drivers under age 21, who are subject to the requirements of New Jersey’s Graduated Driver License (GDL), which includes those drivers possessing a special learners permit, examination permit or probationary (formerly provisional) license, must display a reflectorized decal on each license plate (front/back) of any motor vehicle they operate.

Details of these mandatory decals are as follows:

- Each 1 ½ inch by 1 inch, reflectorized decal is red in color and made with removable, 3M Dual Lock™ material.
- One decal must be displayed on the upper left corner of the front license plate and one on the upper left corner of the rear license plate.
- Failure to display the decals during operation of a vehicle by a learner’s permit, an examination permit or probationary license holder, who is subject to the GDL requirements, is a violation subject to a \$100 fine. See N.J.S.A. 39:3-13.8.



In addition to the decal requirement, effective May 1, 2010 New Jersey GDL drivers will also be subject to the following restrictions:

- May not operate a motor vehicle after 11:01 p.m. and before 5:00 a.m.
- May not use a hand-held or hands-free interactive, wireless communication device.
- Unless over age 21, GDL drivers may only drive with the following passengers:

Special Learner's Permit Holders:

- » Supervising driver who is over 21 and licensed to drive for at least three (3) years
- » Parent(s), guardian(s) or dependent(s)
- » One additional passenger unless accompanied by a parent or guardian

Examination Permit Holders

- » Supervising driver who is over 21 and licensed to drive for at least three (3) years
- » Parent(s), guardian(s) or dependent(s)
- » One additional passenger unless accompanied by a parent or guardian

Probationary (formerly Provisional) License Holder

- » Parent(s), guardian(s) or dependent(s)
 - » One additional passenger unless accompanied by a parent or guardian
- Failure to abide by any GDL restriction during operation of a vehicle by a special learner's permit, an examination permit or probationary license holder, who is subject to the GDL requirements, is a violation subject to a \$100 fine. See N.J.S.A. 39:3-13.8.

