

# Teenagers And The Use Of Automobiles

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Along with all the other problems of raising children, one of great concern to parents is how to regulate the use of family vehicles, once the legal age and licensing requirements are met.

What are the best rules to set and how should they be applied?

It should not be necessary to delve into the need for specifically covering the new teen driver on the automobile insurance policy. Even at today's insurance rates, no parent should be placed in the position of jeopardy that no coverage would allow. But of course, there is much more to teen driving than that, and many important considerations that will determine whether you control the situation.

Law enforcement takes a fair if not liberal attitude toward teen drivers if...

—They never take part

in any form of racing on the public highways.

—They do not drink and drive.

—The vehicle is not overloaded with passengers.

—No adjustments or modifications of the vehicle are made which make for excessive noise.

—An off-road vehicle is not operated on the roads.

—Stops, starts and traffic lane entries are

made according to procedures set forth in the motor vehicle codes.

—And all other rules that apply to all drivers are followed.

The new teen driver must be impressed by the fact that driving is a privi-

lege not everyone enjoys, and may be lost for frequent or repeated infractions, such action coming from parents, for home rule-breaking or, of course, from the authorities.

It is fair, even wise, to make use of a family vehicle contingent upon the extent of the teen's observance and cooperation in all parent-imposed rules and regulations, whether connected with driving or not. Thus, the teen who wants to drive and the parent who seeks better teen behavior in

general, quickly find a common ground to achieve both goals.

If your youngster is fortunate enough to have his own car — whether he has worked to earn it or not — he must understand, though the car is referred to as "his own" the ultimate responsibility lies with the person whose name appears on the certificate of title, until he becomes of age and may legally own a vehicle. At no time should he be allowed to run his own show where

the use of an automobile is concerned, until he is of legal age.

The primary concern of this department is the safety factor on our streets and highways, for all who use them. We do not play favorites, do not recognize prima donnas and we cannot tolerate lame excuses. The teen who learns to accept these facts of life will benefit, the parents will certainly rest easier, and together we will all work toward better driving and less highway ac-

cidents. If your teen becomes involved in a traffic violation or accident, you will find it will be to his definite advantage if you display a respectful attitude toward the law enforcement agency handling the problem. Nothing makes a teen more difficult to handle than a parent showing even the slightest belligerence toward the laws or those enforcing them.

This is the final article in

this column series. Many suggestions have been made to make parents' handling of their youngsters easier. Parent readers are invited to mail suggestions to this department concerning teens and such written communications will be read and considered for future application, so long as practical use can be made of them within the laws that prevail.

Thanks to all of those who have stayed with us through the entire series.

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This 2nd day of December, 1976.

James M. Kerns  
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Charles D. Gray, III, P.A.  
Attorney at Law  
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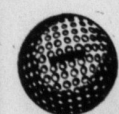
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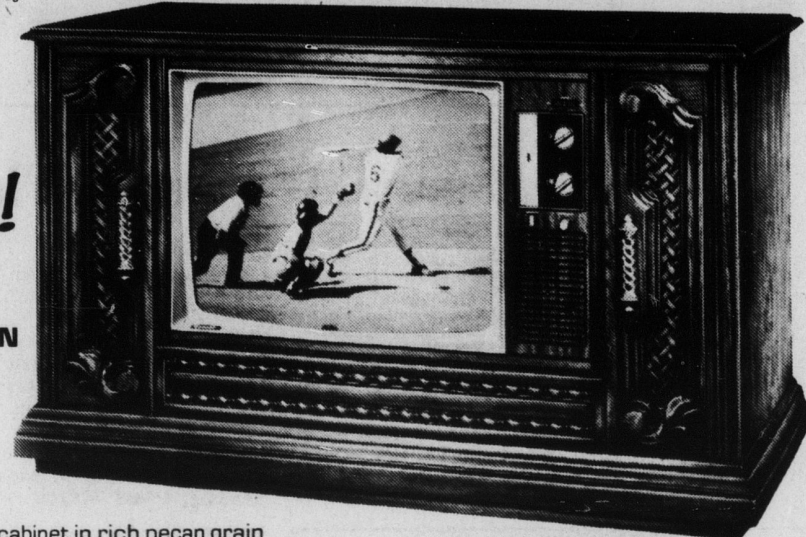
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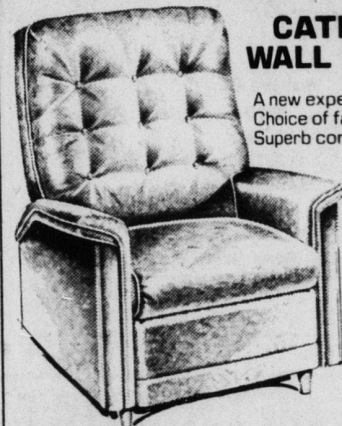
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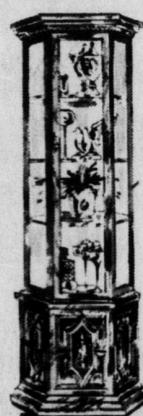
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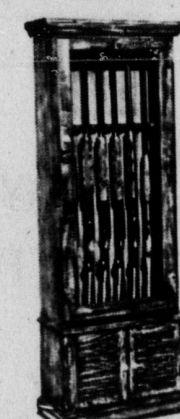
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