

SIX ESSENTIAL GUIDELINES WHEN CHOOSING A VEHICLE FOR YOUNG DRIVERS



1 Safety First

Explore the ratings from car manufacturers and from a third-party, such as the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

2 Remember Reliability

The higher the vehicle's reliability score is, the cleaner and safer it will run.

3 Take a Test Drive

It's vital that both you and your teen test drive any potential vehicles to ensure that you don't miss any concerns that you may have.

4 Set a Budget

Create a realistic price range, and don't forget to include the added expenses such as gas, insurance and maintenance.



6 Consider Vehicle Size

Larger vehicles perform better in crash tests, but sedans are easier to manage. Also, prior to purchasing, check your state's graduated driver licensing laws to determine how many passengers your teen may transport.

5 Evaluate Driver Maturity

Evaluate your teen's maturity level to choose a car that properly complements it. Purchasing a car with higher horsepower may encourage them to test the speed limit.

According to the Federal Highway Administration, in 2018, teens 19 years old and younger made up approximately 4.3% of the driving force in Georgia. Research has shown that those within this age group face the highest risk of accidents.

Georgia's Clean Air Force, in partnership with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), provides six essential guidelines for selecting the appropriate vehicle for young drivers.



For more information, please visit www.cleanairforce.com.