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# Learner License Upgrade to Class E

**ANY service, including general information, provided by our Driver License Office is subject to \$6.25 at the beginning of the visit. Additional transaction fees may apply.**

You must meet the following requirements to be eligible to upgrade your Learner License to a Class E License (also known as an Intermediate License when you are under 18 years of age):

- You must be **at least 16** years of age to be eligible to take the Driving Skills Road Test. If you are under 18 years old, you must have held a Learner License for at least 1 year conviction-free. If you are 18 years old, it's not necessary to hold a Learner License for a year; however, you must have a valid driving record that shows you passed the exams required to obtain a Learner License to be eligible to take the Driving Skills Road Test (i.e. Traffic Law Substance Abuse Education [TLSAE], Road Signs and Road Rules).
- If under 18 years old, your parent, guardian, or another responsible adult 21 years old or older must be present with their identification to certify that you have had 50 hours of driving experience; 10 of which must include nighttime driving. If such person cannot be present for whatever reason, they must complete Form HSMV [71143](#) and this form must be turned in with your application for a Class E License.
- If you do not already have a Real ID compliant Florida Learner License, you must present **documents that establish your identity** pursuant to the Real ID Act (i.e., birth certificate, proof of name change(s), U.S. passport, USCIS (INS) docs, Social Security Card and 2 proofs of residential address). Non-US citizens must have at least 61 days remaining on their legal presence documentation.
- You must take and pass the **Driving Skills Road Test**. You may take this test at our office, through a private provider, or through Driver's Ed at your high school. If taken at our office, you must read over the [Driving Skills Road Test Information](#) sheet prior to scheduling an appointment to attempt the exam. **Driving Skills Road Tests are administered by appointment only for Manatee County Residents.** Visit [taxcollector.com](http://taxcollector.com) to schedule an appointment.

**Note:** **Private companies** can administer the Driving Skills Road Test on **weekends, after hours**, or during regular business hours. Upon successful completion of the test, the company uploads your results to the State of Florida, allowing us to use the test results on file. This expedites the issuance of your license when you visit our office. **Contact Ault's Driver Education Center at 941-355-4202 or by email at [aults@verizon.net](mailto:aults@verizon.net)** for details, or visit <https://www.flhsmv.gov/driver-licenses-id-cards/driver-license-exams/> for a list of other private providers.

- You must pay \$6.25 to upgrade your Learner License to a Class E License plus any exam retake fees. If your Learner License is lost/stolen or you have changes to make to your personal information, you must pay \$31.25 plus any exam retake fees. (A \$10 fee is charged for each written exam retake and \$20 for each Driving Skills Road Test retake.)

### Class E (Intermediate) License Restrictions for Customers Under Age 18

- 16 Years of Age: You can drive alone between 6 am and 11 pm. All other times, you must be traveling to or from work or be accompanied by a licensed driver at least 21 years old.
- 17 Years of Age: You can drive alone between 5 am and 1 am. All other times, you must be traveling to or from work or be accompanied by a licensed driver at least 21 years old.

**Note:** If **18 years of age or older**, you have the option of completing the [Learner License requirements](#) and upgrading it to a Class E License without first being issued a Learner License. If you opt to do so, it must be completed in two steps. You would first be required to pass all [written exams](#) after which you would be able to schedule an appointment on [taxcollector.com](http://taxcollector.com) to take the [Driving Skills Road Test](#).

**NOTE: The information in this document is believed to be correct and is subject to change and is not warranted.**  
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\*\*\*\* THIS TRANSACTION MAY ONLY BE PROCESSED AT THE DRIVER LICENSE OFFICE \*\*\*\*