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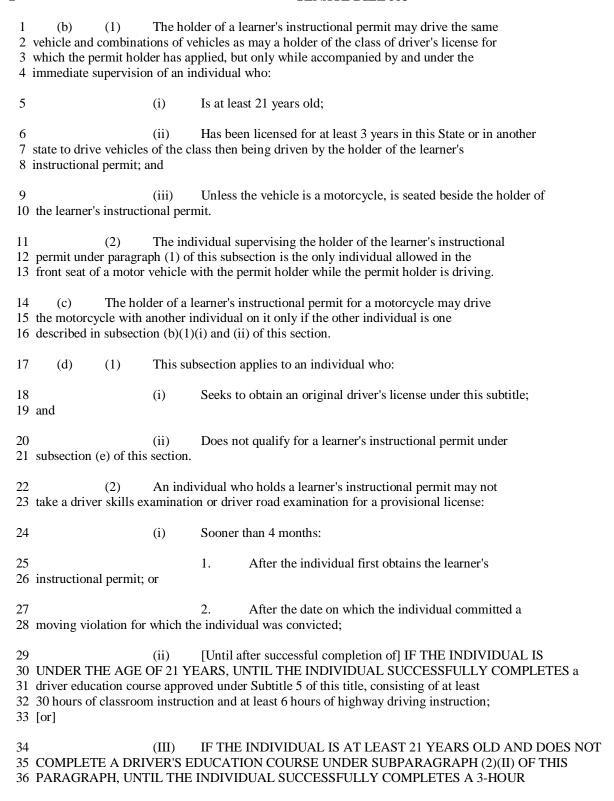
2 Vehicle Laws - Driver Licensing - Driver Education

- 3 FOR the purpose of exempting individuals at least 21 years old from the driver's
- 4 education requirement necessary to obtain a provisional license; exempting
- 5 individuals at least 21 years old from the requirement of submission of a certain
- 6 log book to obtain a provisional license; requiring individuals who are at least 21
- years old and do not complete the driver's education requirement to attend a
- 8 certain drug and alcohol program; making stylistic changes; and generally
- 9 relating to provisional driver's license requirements.
- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 11 Article Transportation
- 12 Section 16-105
- 13 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 14 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)
- 15 (As enacted by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1998)
- 16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 Article - Transportation

- 19 16-105.
- 20 (a) (1) Any individual who desires to obtain an original driver's license
- 21 under this subtitle or to be licensed in a class for which the individual is not already
- 22 licensed under this subtitle shall apply to the Administration for the desired driver's
- 23 license.
- 24 (2) Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, before issuing a
- 25 driver's license, the Administration shall issue to each applicant a learner's
- 26 instructional permit. The learner's instructional permit shall identify clearly the class
- 27 of license for which the applicant has applied.

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	ALCOHOL AND DRUG EDUCATION PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY THE ADMINISTRATION UNDER § 16-212.1 OF THIS TITLE; AND
	[(iii)] (IV) [Unless] IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS, UNTIL the individual submits, in accordance with the Administration's regulations, a completed skills log book signed by:
6 7	1. Each supervising driver who certifies that the individual has satisfactorily demonstrated a required skill; and
	2. If a signature of a parent, guardian, or other person is required under § 16-107 of this subtitle, the parent, guardian, or other person who signs the individual's application under that section.
11 12	(3) A learner's instructional permit issued to an individual described in paragraph (1) of this subsection expires one year after the date of issuance.
	(e) (1) This subsection only applies to an individual who holds a license and who seeks a different class license to drive a motor vehicle that, under the individual's current license, the individual is not authorized to drive.
16 17	(2) The holder of a learner's instructional permit may not take the driver's license examination sooner than 14 days after the permit is issued.
18 19	(3) The 14 days' requirement may be waived if a subsequent learner's instructional permit is issued or applied for.
20 21	(4) A learner's instructional permit issued to an individual described in paragraph (1) of this subsection expires 180 days after date of issuance.
	(f) (1) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, the Administration may issue a driver's license, without first issuing a learner's instructional permit and without a waiting period, to any individual who:
27 28	(i) Has been licensed regularly to drive in this State, in another state or country, or by the armed forces of the United States, if the Administration is satisfied that the applicant's experience in driving vehicles of the type that would be authorized by the license class applied for is sufficient to justify issuance of the license without further training; or
30 31	(ii) Has successfully completed the Administration approved basic motorcycle safety course.
32	(2) The Administration may:
33 34	(i) Examine the applicant's driving as provided in § 16-110 of this [title] SUBTITLE; or
35 36	(ii) Issue a provisional license, if appropriate, under § 16-111(e) of this subtitle.

- 1 (3) An individual who never held a driver's license issued by the
- 2 Administration or by another state, but who otherwise may obtain a license under
- 3 paragraph (1)(i) of this subsection without first obtaining a learner's instructional
- 4 permit, shall successfully complete a 3-hour alcohol and drug education program
- 5 established by the Administration under § 16-212.1 of this title before qualifying for
- 6 a driver's license.
- 7 (g) An individual holding a learner's instructional permit issued under this
- 8 section may not drive or attempt to drive a motor vehicle on any highway in this State
- 9 in violation of any of the provisions of this section.
- 10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 11 October 1, 1999.