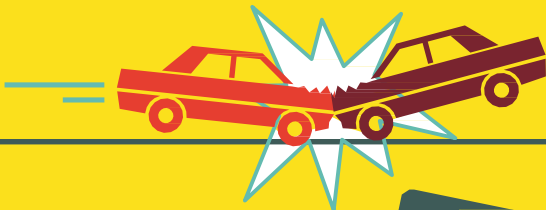


# DISTRACTED DRIVING

## CALIFORNIA DRIVING STATISTICS



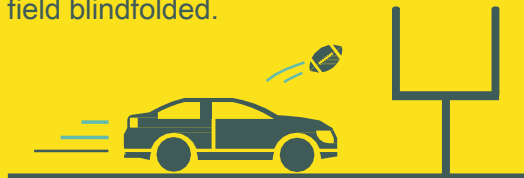
Distractions, including use of cell phones and interacting with passengers, account for **6 OUT OF 10** crashes among teens.



Engaging in activities such as reaching for a phone, dialing or texting, increases the risk of getting into a crash by **3x**.



The average time your eyes are off the road while texting is **5 SECONDS**. When traveling at **55 MPH**, that's enough time to cover the length of a football field blindfolded.



**VEHICLE CRASHES** remain the leading cause of death for 16 to 19 year-olds.



**NOBODY UNDER 18** can legally drive while using a phone or electronic device, even if it is hands-free.



# SAFETY TIPS

Never text and drive.



Silence your phone before you get behind the wheel.



Don't text or call someone when you know they are likely to be driving.



If a friend is driving, minimize distractions by not being too rowdy or blasting music.



If you need to make a call, safely pull over and park.



Do not use apps or social media.



## GRADUATED DRIVER'S LICENSE (GDL) RESTRICTIONS

- 1-year restriction on driving with passengers and at night, or until the age of 18.
- Newly licensed drivers cannot drive passengers under 20 years old unless accompanied by a licensed driver 25 years or older.
- No driving between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. unless accompanied by a licensed driver 25 years or older.

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