

How to Obtain an Instruction Permit...

(You MUST be 15 to obtain an instruction permit)

Permit Trip Checklist:

1. If you are under the age of 18, you must be accompanied by one of your parents.
2. Cash or check payable to the "Secretary of State" for \$20 is needed to obtain an original permit.
3. Eyeglasses/Contacts if you wear them
4. Social Security Card. If you do not have one, you have to apply for it at one of the following locations:

10718 S. Roberts, Palos Hills	104 S. Halsted St., Chicago Heights
8658 S. Sacramento, Chicago	158 N. Scott, Joliet
5. Your Birth Certificate. It must be an original with the county seal on it, not a photocopy; or some other item which clearly proves your age: Passport, Military Discharge, or some Official Certified Document. No hospital or baptismal certificates are allowed.
6. Something with your current address on it; Your Report Card, Bank Statement, Mail - with postal cancellation on the envelope, Bank Book.
7. Something with your signature on it; Charge Card, ID card, Social Security Card, or School ID Card

Take all the above items to the nearest Secretary of State Testing Station

Bridgeview	84th and Harlem	Hours: Wed 10am-7pm
Chicago Heights	209th and Western	Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:30am-5pm Sat & Sun CLOSED
Joliet	201 Joyce Road	Hours: Tues 9am-7pm
Midlothian	14434 S Pulaski	Wed, Thurs, Fri 8am-5:30pm Sat 8am-12pm Sun & Mon CLOSED

The main number to the Secretary of State's office is
(312) 793-1010

- * Do not mark anything on the permit application
- * All locations closed on legal holidays, election days, etc. On conflicting state and federal holidays, the state holiday is observed.
- * Present your application, take the vision and written test, and you receive your permit on the same day.

IF YOU GO TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE OFFICE WITHOUT A PARENT, YOUR PERMIT APPLICATION MUST HAVE YOUR PARENT'S SIGNATURE, AND RELATIONSHIP ON IT, OR THE SECRETARY OF STATE WILL NOT LET YOU TAKE THE TEST.