



# FREEDOM DRIVING SCHOOL

## How to Obtain your WDL Number, your Instruction Permit, and Waiver

This document is intended to provide guidance on how to:

- Create a license express account
- Pre-Apply for an Instruction Permit
- Receive your Instruction Permit number (WDL Number)
- Get a waiver created by Freedom Driving School
- Purchase/print your receipt and instruction permit online

Please understand that your permit will not have your picture on it and must be accompanied by another form of valid photo ID (passport, WA state ID card, school ID, etc.).

Please follow these steps:

- Go online directly to [www.dol.wa.gov](http://www.dol.wa.gov)
  - Create an individual License Express Account and log in as yourself
- Pre-Apply online (available as early as 10 calendar days prior to your 1<sup>st</sup> Driver Education class session)
  - You will receive a new ID # (WDL#####B). Give that number to Freedom Driving School by phone or email listed at the end of this document.
  - Our staff will create your waiver which allows you to receive your permit without taking the Washington State Knowledge Exam until after your successful completion of the Basic Driver Education Course. This part of the process is essential and only takes a few moments for us to complete. Until the waiver is created you will be unable to continue.
- Log back into your individual License Express Account
  - Select the “Purchase Instruction Permit” option
  - Review your personal information and click “Next”
  - Continue through all review screens and click “Next” each time
  - If the student is a minor, the parent/guardian will be prompted to input their information and certify their authority.
- Purchase your Instruction Permit and pay the \$25.00 fee
  - Select “Print Receipt” at the bottom of the screen
  - Select the Printer Icon at the top of the screen (prints the temporary Instruction Permit)
    - This temporary permit is immediately valid 45 days which is noted at the top
    - Your permit, plastic permit will arrive by mail within approximately 2 weeks

You will need to present your Instruction Permit for the third day of class and on all Behind-the-Wheel drives, Knowledge Testing, and Skills Testing.

If, after following the above process, you have further questions we welcome your phone call at 253-466-3745 (Meridian) or 253-212-1445 (Lakewood). You can also email us at [info@freedomds.com](mailto:info@freedomds.com)