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Some figures

At global level: 1st cause of death between 15 and 29 y. old = road traffic accidents (WHO – Global status report on RS)

At European level: young people between 18 and 24 y. old represent 9% of the population and 16,5% of road fatalities in 2010 (CARE)

In France in 2011: young people between 18 and 24 y. old represent 9% of the population and 21% of road fatalities (ONISR)



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Road Safety Education (1)

A statement: road safety education and driver's training are paramount elements of an efficient road safety policy

A strategic axis: long-life training

A pragmatic approach: driving licence is the key element of the process



Road Safety Education (2)

Primary schools until 11 y. old (Certificate for initial road education - “pedestrian licence”)

Secondary schools until 16 y. old (Road safety school certificates – 2 levels)

Secondary schools until 19-20 y. old

Post-licensing courses (for beginners, novice drivers, etc..)



Road Safety Education (3)

- Driving schools: 11,000 in France
- Driving licence reform decided in 2008:

— *Less long to be issued to young people: recruitment of examiners,*

— *Less expensive: driving licence for 1 €/day , local administrations help, « Accompanied driving » in companies,*

— *Safer young drivers : changes in the theory and practical test, a training programme based on the GDE matrix, provisions to become a driving instructor*



Campaigning

→ The main « dangers »
for young drivers/riders:

→ A solution: « SAM »,
The designated driver



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Young people associations

- young people are involved in road safety
- at global level with « YOURS » and the initiative of the « Youth declaration of Moscow » : youth leaders commit to a Decade of Action for Road Safety
- at European and national level with a lot of different young people associations acting for road safety
- young people speak to young people (e.g. « Close To »)



Legislation for novice drivers

→ A probation period (2 or 3 y. after the issuance of the driving licence):

— *With training (mandatory): in Luxembourg, Austria, Finland, etc...with some results (reduction of young people killed on the roads from 15% to 30%)*

— *Without training but the sanctions are strict: a reduced BAC level in 11 MS from 0.0 g/l to 0.3 g/l (0.0 g/l in Germany since 2007), in some MS*



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Some conclusions

- **Education to the road traffic risk : as early as possible and adapted**
- **Should be continuous during the school time**
- **Adapted and specific training in the first years following the issuance of the driving licence**
- **Specific legislative measures for novice drivers**
- **All this can be done in close cooperation with committed young people associations for road safety**
- **Exchange of best practices**
- **Use of social networks**



Announcement of an event

On 20 & 21 November 2012, in Lyon in France, the Province of Québec (Canada), Belgium and France organise a Conference on the same theme : « Young people and road safety ».

Young people from North America, Africa, Europe will exchange best practices. You are strongly invited to attend: please visit the following website :



securite-routiere.gouv.fr/la-

securite-routiere/les-actualites/un-

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