

Jumpstart



Learner Driver Mentor Training LEARNER APPLICATION

What is Jumpstart?

The Jumpstart Learner Driver Mentor Programme is run by the Geeveston Community Centre Inc (Locally known as GeCo). We provide assistance via our volunteer drivers, to mentor learners in cars owned and maintained by GeCo.

Mentors are there to be a surrogate friend or family member. They do not 'teach', only offer the benefit of their experience. Our mentors do have training, but they are not educators.

The aim is to take some of the pressures of getting a learner on the road out of the equation, such as:

- Not having a suitable vehicle to practice in
- Not having a suitable friend or family member for the learner's needs
- Financial strain of insurance/petrol
- Creating routine and repeated learning environment in time-poor families

So how does it work?

Gené Lovell is our Jumpstart Coordinator, who will meet with the learner driver and assess how we can best help them. She looks at the timetable, and matches the learner up with an appropriate mentor suited to their learning needs.

We set up a meet and greet, and then the learner will go on a drive with their mentor to see if they are a good fit. All the driving sessions are run as 'real life' exercises. So expect runs into Huonville and Kingston, navigating traffic, shops and car parks.

What does it cost?

To you, nothing. We apply for funding to pay for the vehicle and their upkeep, and the time put into scheduling and administration. All our Mentors are Volunteers. That being said, we are risk of losing that funding if we don't demonstrate we have people in cars as often as possible. Signing up to Jumpstart means an obligation to attend lessons on a regular basis – the specifics of which can be discussed with Trish, but usually 2 hours per week.

Sounds great, Sign me up!

Please read and fill in the form on the following pages! Once complete, return to GeCo via <u>gene@geevestoncommunitycentre.com</u>, or in person. Bring your learner driver's license with you.



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Personal Details				
First name:				
Last Name:				
Preferred Name:				
Address:				
Mobile Number:				
Email address:				
Preferred method of contact:	☐ Mail	Email	Pho	ne
Date of Birth:				
Gender:				
Do you have any language barriers?				
Do you have any learning challenges?				
Other Information				
Current number of driving hours logged				
Have you had any professional driving lessons?	Yes No			
If Yes, please provide name of driving school and dates				
Licence Number				
Licence Expiry date				
Date you can take your test				
Are you currently:	Working	Stud	ying	Other
Mentor preference	☐ Male	Fem	ale	Either