

Zero Tolerance of Alcohol and Drugs While Driving

Effective July 1, 2018, a zero tolerance sanction applies to commercial motor vehicle drivers in Ontario while driving:

- a vehicle requiring an A, B, C, D, E or F licence
- a road building machine
- a vehicle that requires a Commercial Vehicle Operator's Registration (CVOR)*

*excludes personal use vehicles

A CVOR operator is responsible for all drivers and vehicles in their operation.

These responsibilities include monitoring the safety performance of drivers, including convictions for impairment and licence suspensions.

Driver impairment charges are recorded on the operator's CVOR record and can result in:

- conviction points
- CVOR sanctions
- loss of operating privileges

It's NOT worth the risk.

Alcohol, drugs and cannabis (including edibles) can impair driving.

Consequences could include fines, CVOR sanctions, criminal charges, even jail time.



For more information about road safety, please contact:

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TTY: 1-866-471-8929 | (905) 704-2426

Website:

Ontario.ca/DriveSober
Ontario.ca/CVOR

For a free online Driver's Licence Check, visit [Ontario.ca/licencecheck](https://ontario.ca/licencecheck).

Operators must ensure that their drivers and vehicles are in compliance with all legislative requirements under the *Highway Traffic Act* and failing to comply may result in sanctions or loss of operating privileges.

This is only a guide.

For official content, please refer to the *Highway Traffic Act* at [Ontario.ca/Laws](https://ontario.ca/Laws)

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**CMV DRIVERS:
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- ▶ Zero Tolerance for Alcohol and Drugs* for Commercial Vehicle Drivers (CMV)
*using oral screening device




			
	3-day licence suspension	3-day licence suspension	3-day licence suspension
	\$281 licence reinstatement fee	\$281 licence reinstatement fee	\$281 licence reinstatement fee
	\$250 penalty	\$350 penalty	\$450 penalty

**FOR ALL CLASSES OF DRIVERS:
PENALTIES**

- ▶ With Blood Alcohol Concentration between 0.05 - 0.08 (alcohol only)
- ▶ Who fail the Standard Field Sobriety Test (alcohol and/or drugs)

			
	3-day licence suspension	7-day licence suspension	30-day licence suspension
	\$281 licence reinstatement fee	\$281 licence reinstatement fee	\$281 licence reinstatement fee
	\$250 penalty	\$350 penalty	\$450 penalty
		Education program	Treatment program
			Ignition Interlock for 6 months

- ▶ With Blood Alcohol Concentration over 0.08 (alcohol only)
- ▶ Who fail test by Drug Recognition Expert (drugs or a combination of drugs and alcohol)
- ▶ Fail or refuse to comply with demand for alcohol or drug testing

			
	90-day licence suspension	90-day licence suspension	90-day licence suspension
	\$281 licence reinstatement fee	\$281 licence reinstatement fee	\$281 licence reinstatement fee
	7-day vehicle impoundment	7-day vehicle impoundment	7-day vehicle impoundment
	\$550 penalty	\$550 penalty	\$550 penalty
		Education program	Treatment program
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[Criminal Code of Canada](#) and additional Highway Traffic Act penalties may also apply.