



WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT TEXAS ...

2012 Alcohol Impaired Driving Fatalities (AIDF) Data

Total AIDF	1296
Under 21 AIDF	169

2012 AIDF per 100,000 Population

Total AIDF	5
Under 21 AIDF	2.1

2002-2012 Change in AIDF per 100K Population

Total AIDF	-26.2%
Under 21 AIDF	-42.7%

Percent of AIDF Involving High BAC Drivers

BAC = .15+	71.9%
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Percent of Drivers in Fatal Drunk Driving Crashes Involving Repeat Offenders

BAC = .08-.14	33.3%
BAC = .15+	66.7%

2011-12 12 to 20 Year-Old Alcohol Consumption (latest available)

Past Month Alcohol Consumption	22.4%
Binge Drinking in Past 30 Days	14.1%

2010 Arrest Data

Under 18: Driving Under the Influence	592
Total: Driving Under the Influence	85,436
Under 18: Liquor Laws	3,610
Total: Liquor Laws	21,803
Under 18: Drunkenness	2,279
Total: Drunkenness	111,370

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911 LIFELINE LAW

Exemption from Citation for a Minor Possessing or Consuming Alcohol



Request medical assistance due to alcohol consumption.
Remain on the scene.
Cooperate with medical and law enforcement personnel.

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WHAT IS THE 911 LIFELINE LAW?

The Texas 9-1-1 Lifeline Law prevents a person under 21 from being charged by the police for possessing or consuming alcohol if he/she takes a person to receive emergency treatment or calls 911 due to possible overdose of alcohol.

Remember to call for help and remain on the scene. Minors can still get a DUI if they drive with any alcohol in their system, even if they are helping a friend.

TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CODE



§106.04 CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL BY A MINOR.

(a) A minor commits an offense if he consumes an alcoholic beverage.

§106.05 POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL BY A MINOR.

(a) A minor commits an offense if he possesses an alcoholic beverage.

Subsection (a) does not apply to a minor who:

- (1) requested emergency medical assistance in response to the possible alcohol overdose of the minor or another person;
- (2) was the first person to make a request for medical assistance under Subdivision (1); and
- (3) if the minor requested emergency medical assistance for the possible alcohol overdose of another person:
 - (A) remained on the scene until the medical assistance arrived; and
 - (B) cooperated with medical assistance and law enforcement personnel.

Even though a minor may not be charged with possessing or consuming an alcoholic beverage under the 911 Lifeline Law, they may still be charged with:

- **Providing Alcohol to a Minor**
- **Zero Tolerance Violation**



Remember: It is illegal for a minor to drive a motor vehicle or operate a watercraft while having **ANY** detectable amount of alcohol in the minor's system. This is also known as DUI (Driving Under the Influence).

1. First Offense - Class C Misdemeanor

- Up to \$500 fine;
- Alcohol awareness class;
- 20 - 40 hours of mandatory community service;
- 60 days driver's license suspension;
- Ineligible for an occupational license for the first 30 days.

2. Second Offense - Class C Misdemeanor

- Up to \$500 fine;
- Alcohol awareness class;
- 40 - 60 hours of mandatory community service;
- 120 days driver's license suspension;
- Ineligible for an occupational license for the first 90 days.

3. Third Offense (Under 17)

- 180 days driver's license suspension;
- Ineligible for an occupational license.

4. Third Offense (17 or Older) - Class B Misdemeanor

- \$500 - \$2,000 fine; and/or
- Confinement in jail for up to 180 days;
- 180 days driver's license suspension;
- Ineligible for an occupational license.

TABC Code §106.041

SIGNS OF INTOXICATION



Coordination:

- Stands with feet wide apart for balance.
- Leans against structure for support.
- Fumbles with wallet or money.
- Slurs or trips over words while ordering.

Reduced Judgment and Inhibitions:

- Becomes overly excited.
- Speaks loudly and/or profanely.
- Throws objects.
- Giggles or laughs for no apparent reason.

Vision:

- Red or watery eyes.
- Droopy eyelids or tired appearance.
- Squints continuously.
- Closes or covers one eye to remove double vision.

Reflexes:

- Slow or deliberate movements.
- Slow or no response to questions.
- Slow or no reaction to actions such as spilling a beer on oneself.

Appearance:

- Frequently rubs hands through face and hair.
- Sometimes has involuntary eye movement.
- Frequent trips to the bathroom.
- Strong, stale odor of alcohol.

SIGNS OF ALCOHOL POISONING

- Unconscious or semiconscious (passed out)
- No response to pinching
- Slow or irregular breathing: less than 8 breaths per minute, 8-10 seconds between breaths
- Low body temperature
- Slow heart rate
- Bluish or pale, cold clammy skin
- Vomiting while "sleeping" or passed out

Call 911 immediately!