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Driving under the influence of alcohol

Note by the secretariat

Attached is the drinking and driving questionnaire revised by the small group in the light of comments made by WP.1 at its 48th session.

The deadline for replies is 28 July 2006.

DRINKING AND DRIVING QUESTIONNAIRE

**In order to facilitate the exploitation of the replies to this questionnaire,
please complete any written information in *English* or *French***

COUNTRY:.....

Deadline for replies: 28 July 2006

A. Legislation

1. Is your alcohol-impaired driving legislation:

- National/Federal
- State/Provincial
- Both (National & Provincial)

2. Does your country have legislation that prohibits driving at or above a specific blood alcohol limit (BAC)?

- Yes No

(a) If yes, please specify the blood alcohol limit for:

All Drivers _____

Novice Drivers _____

Probationary Drivers _____

Young Drivers _____

Professional Drivers: _____

Please provide any additional information:

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(b) When driving at or above the legal alcohol limit, is the offense considered an administrative or criminal offense? Please indicate at what BAC level the offence is

administrative and at what level it is criminal. (Note: If the offense is considered both administrative and criminal, check both and indicate appropriate BAC level.)

Administrative BAC level _____

Criminal BAC level _____

Please add any relevant details:

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2.1 If the crash results in injuries or death, are the penalties more severe if the offender was driving under the influence of alcohol?

Yes No

If Yes, specify the penalties

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2.2 If you have special alcohol limit requirements for novice/young drivers, please specify the requirements and their duration:

Novice Drivers:

Young Drivers:

3. Is the sale of alcohol permitted in the following places?

Please tick:

- In rest/service areas on motorways or express roads (for consumption on site)

Yes No

- In rest/service areas on motorways or express roads (for taking away)

Yes No

- At fuelling stations (for consumption on site)

Yes No

- At fuelling stations (for taking away)

Yes No

- Other places (related to driving), please specify:

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.....

4. What is the minimum age at which a person is legally permitted to purchase alcohol?

- All alcohol drinks:(age.....years)
or only certain alcoholic drinks:
 - Light beer (age:years)
 - Beer (age:years)
 - Wine (age:years)
 - Spirits (age:years)
- Not specified by legislation

5. Does your country have legislation prohibiting open bottles or any other containers of an alcoholic drink in a moving vehicle? (Except for public transport vehicles)

- Yes No -

B. Enforcement

6. What methods do police use to prevent alcohol-impaired driving? Check all that apply.

- Random Breath Tests
- Alcohol /Sobriety Checkpoints (special road checks only for alcohol)
- Patrols in high-risk alcohol consumption areas and periods (e.g., bars, discos, other places for alcohol consumption)
- Regular patrols
- Other (Please specify.....)

7. What signs or reasons might prompt the police to ask for a breath test? Check all that apply.

7.1 Signs

- None – Police can just ask
- Driver says he/she has been drinking when asked by police
- Clues (smell, bottles, slurred speech)
- Driving clues (weaving, no lights, etc.)

7.2 Reasons

- Detection by passive sensor, which detects alcohol in the air
- Failure of standardized field sobriety tests
- Accident. Specify severity:
 - Accident not resulting in injury
 - Accident resulting in minor injury
 - Accident resulting in serious injury
 - Fatal accident
 - Other (Please specify.....)

8. Where can an evidentiary breath test (i.e., test necessary to prove intoxication) be administered by the police? (Check all that apply)

- At the roadside
- Only at the police station
- In an Alcohol Breath Test Van

9. What is the basis for selection of punishment in the case of alcohol-impaired driving?

- The results of the test administered by the police
- The results of the medical test

10. What are the consequences for a driver who refuses to take the breath test? (Please check)

- None
- License taken by police
- Driver taken to police station for evidentiary breath test (i.e., test needed to prove intoxication)
- Driver required to provide a blood test
- Other (please specify):.....
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11. Are there specialized training programmes for law enforcement officers to combat alcohol-impaired driving in your country?

- Yes No

If yes, please specify:.....
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C. Penalties and other sanctions

12. What penalties are imposed for driving under the influence of alcohol?

Please indicate in the boxes the relevant items from the list indicated below (for example (a), (b), (d) for an alcohol level above 0.8): (NOTE: For some penalties such as fines and jail, please provide the relevant information in the list below)

Alcohol level (specified in mg/ml)	All drivers	Young/Novice or probationary drivers	Professional drivers	Repeat Offenders
> 0.0 < 0.2				
> 0.2 < 0.5				
> 0.5 < 0.8				
> 0.8 < 1.0				
> 1.0				
Other:				

- Offender
- (a) Fines (minimum :.....maximum :.....)
 - (b) Immediate temporary withdrawal of permit (minimum..... maximum.....)
 - (c) Administrative suspension of permit (minimum maximum)
 - (d) Detention (up to.....days)
 - (e) Suspension of permit ordered by a law court
 - (f) Mandatory medical examination
 - (g) Mandatory alcohol abuse assessment and treatment

(h) Return of the driving permit only after passing exams (please specify what exam(s):.....
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.....)

(i) Restriction on obtaining any driving permit in the future

Vehicle

(j) Temporary immobilization of the vehicle (e.g., with mechanical wheel blocking devices)

(k) Temporary detention of the vehicle in a special parking (up to.....)

(l) Confiscation of the vehicle

(m) Use of vehicle ignition blocking systems (such as Alcohol INTERLOCK). Please specify in what cases:
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.....

Other

(n) (Please specify:.....
.....
.....)

D. Education

13. Have you had educational campaigns (government-run) to raise awareness about drinking and driving within the past five years?

Yes No

If yes, please tick the relevant boxes:

	National	Regional
TV		
RADIO		
PRINT (e.g. newspapers, magazines)		
BROCHURES, LEAFLETS		
VIDEOS/CDs		
WEBSITES		
CINEMA ADVERTISING		
SCHOOL PROGRAMMES		
POSTERS		
OTHER. Please specify:		

14. Do you have non-governmental organizations involved in education about drinking and driving?

Yes No

If yes, please specify by what kind of organizations:

- Road transport associations
- Private associations against alcoholism
- Associations of parents
- Road safety associations
- Child protection associations
- Road victims associations
- Other. Please specify:.....
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<p>Name of person responding to this survey:.....</p> <p>Title:</p> <p>Service and/or administration:.....</p> <p>May we contact you if we have questions about any of your answers?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>E-mail:.....</p> <p>Telephone Number:.....</p> <p>Fax Number:.....</p>
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Thank you for completing the questionnaire.

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