

Information on Swedish National activities regarding Alcohol ignition interlock (Alco lock)

Sweden is considering introducing national legislation to increase the use of Alco locks for prevention in commercial buses and heavy goods vehicles. However we would prefer a common solution, since this is a wider problem.

25 % of all fatal road accidents in EU (10 000 lives/year) are caused by drink and drive. Fighting drink and drive is one of the most important measures to improve road safety.

Sweden thinks that Alco locks (or other techniques that prevent impaired driving) should be fitted into all new commercial busses and heavy goods vehicles. Companies must be encouraged to guarantee sober driving by introducing Alco locks or other techniques that prevent impaired driving.

Impaired driving is just as common among commercial drivers as among others. Accidents with heavy vehicles involved have serious consequences. It is important to increase the use of supporting techniques that prevents impaired drivers in company owned vehicles. Used by companies or in public transports the Alco lock can guarantee sober transports.

The Alco lock is one effective way to reduce driving while impaired and save lives. Alco locks can be used to prevent drink drivers to relapse. Alco locks can also prevent drink and drive in the first place. Alco locks are used in Sweden both to prevent drivers from relapsing and to prevent drink and drive in the first place.

Sweden has the intention to forward proposals in international for a for the use of Alco locks into busses and heavy goods vehicles.
