# Whether Roadways or Waterways ... Be Safe. Play Safe.

**Drive Safe.** 





### Don't drink and drive.













## Message from the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police

Promoting safety on our roadways and waterways is everyone's business. Our Province has a vast network of roads and highways that allow motorists to get around between our cities and towns efficiently and safely. We also enjoy the use of some of the world's best rivers and lakes. Being mindful of the rules of the road and water helps ensure that everyone enjoys themselves and gets home safe.

The Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police is once again proud to partner with the Ontario Ministry of Transportation and our corporate supporters on the 2010 Drive Safe R.I.D.E. campaign. While we continue to educate Ontario motorists about road safety throughout 2010, we are pleased that this year sees our campaign also emphasize safety on Ontario waterways.

Please enjoy our roadways and waterways responsibly. Preventing a tragedy is a shared responsibility!



Chief Daniel Parkinson, Cornwall Community Police Service President - Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police



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# Alcohol and Water...

## A potentially deadly combination!

At a greater risk of drowning this summer are males between the ages of 18 and 34, who have been drinking alcohol and are not wearing lifejackets while participating in recreational on-water activities. Alcohol involvement is twice as high among adult male victims compared to women – and every summer lives are needlessly lost to alcohol consumption and boating accidents.

# IMPAIRED Boating is IMPAIRED Driving

Boating is a fun and exciting way to enjoy time with friends and family. To ensure that your boating experience is enjoyable, it is important to practice safe boating practices. Here are three helpful ways to reduce risk while boating:

**WEAR THE EQUIPMENT!** Make sure everyone in the boat is wearing, and is buckled into, an approved lifejacket or personal floatation device (PFD).

DRIVE SOBER! Alcohol and boating do not mix - in Ontario you can be charged and have your driver's licence suspended with a 0.05 Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC).

**GET TRAINED!** Training gives you the knowledge to make smart choices when boating.

Boaters caught drinking and boating in Ontario will face the same penalties as those for drinking and driving. Penalties include:

- 3-, 7- or 30 day driver's licence suspension if caught with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) in the "warn" range (0.05 to 0.08)
- Drivers caught more than once face mandatory alcohol education and treatment programs and ignition interlock

#### For boaters exceeding a 0.08 BAC:

- Immediate 90-day Administrative Driver's Licence Suspension (ADLS) for exceeding .08 BAC (or for refusing to provide a breath sample)
- If convicted under the Criminal Code, the boater's driver's licence can be suspended for one year up to a lifetime
- Mandatory alcohol assessment, education or treatment, and follow-up
- Ignition interlock condition on their driver's licence for one year to up to a lifetime
- Vehicle impoundment for driving while under suspension

These penalties
apply to anyone who is
caught drinking and
operating motorized and
non-motorized vessels,
including power boats,
canoes, kayaks, jet-skis,
sailboats, dinghies and
other inflatable boats
and rafts.



#### Tips for Safe boating:

- 1. **Get Your BOATsmart! Card.** All Operators of motorized vessels require a Pleasure Craft Operator Card. Test your knowledge at BoatSmartExam.com and take the exam.
- 2. **Be Prepared.** Being prepared with the right knowledge is good but ensuring your passengers also know their responsibilities is better.
- 3. **Check Your Safety Equipment.** You should perform maintenance on your craft and equipment at the beginning of each season and at regular intervals throughout the season.
- 4. **Know The Rules Of The Water.** It is very important to know and understand the rules of the water and how to navigate safely. Markers and buoys indicate the most preferred and safest routes for navigation and also mark specific hazards and/or dangers.
- 5. Check the weather. Always check the weather forecast before you head out.
- 6. Wear Sunscreen. Always protect yourself and your loved ones from the bright sun.
- 7. **Know The Lake.** Consult marine charts and talk to local boaters and marine operators to gain valuable insight on where you're planning on boating.
- 8. **Leave A Trip Plan.** Operators should leave a trip plan with a responsible person it can be used in case of emergency to aid in locating a missing craft.
- 9. **Keep The Beer On The Pier.** Alcohol and boating don't mix **ever**. So keep the beer on the pier and the boat on the water!
- 10. **Wear The Gear.** It's simple. Wear a Personal Floatation Device (PDF) or Lifejacket! Make sure everyone on board is fitted with an approved PFD and make them wear it!
- 11. **Stay Safe**, **Stay Clear**. *Stay safe and clear around dams*, *hydroelectric stations and surrounding waterways*.
- 12. **Have Fun and Make Memories!** Ontario is a water-sport paradise and safe family fun is only a splash away.

Keeping these tips in mind and applying the knowledge learned from a boating safety course will ensure you have a great time on the water this summer.

So get out there, have fun and boat smart!

For more boating safety information and to obtain your Pleasure Craft Operator Card visit www.BoatSmartExam.com or call toll free 1-877-792-3926.







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## You have 1 new message

Did you know that it will cost drivers who text, type, dial or chat using a hand-held device \$155 for:

- Using hand-held cell phones, smart phones, video games and media players?
- Viewing screens on laptops or DVD players?

## **Eyes** on the **Road Hands** on the **Wheel**

The new law only applies to hand-held devices.

#### If necessary, drivers may use hands-free devices:

- Cell phones with an earpiece, headset or Bluetooth device using voice dialing
- Global positioning system (GPS) units mounted on the dashboard
- Portable media players (e.g. iPod) plugged into vehicle's sound system

#### The law does not apply to:

- Drivers in vehicles pulled off the roadway or lawfully parked
- 9-1-1 calls
- Display screens showing information about the vehicle's status

For more information visit www.ontario.ca/eyesontheroad



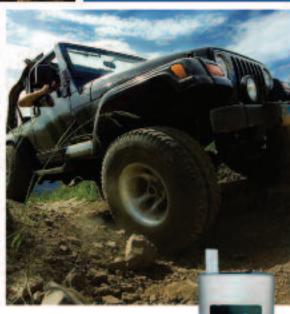


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# What do LIFEJACKETS and SEATBELTS have in common?

They only work if you wear them!

The law requires boats to be equipped with a Canadian-approved lifejacket or Personal Floatation Device (PFD) of an appropriate size for each person on board. Whether you are an angler, water skier or leisure boater, lifejackets and PFDs now come in a variety of different styles to ensure maximum comfort and safety.

So wear a PFD on the water and buckle up in the car!

For safety demos, tips, prizes and more, visit the Be Smart. Be Safe. Tour at fairs and festivals throughout Ontairo this summer.

For dates and locations, go to:

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## Five tips to help you make the most of the summer season on the road.

- 1. Keep your tires properly inflated. Proper tire pressure not only increases fuel-efficiency, it also ensures smooth handling through all driving conditions.
- 2. Clean out your trunk. Hauling around those golf clubs, winter tires or other heavy items when you don't have to, wastes fuel.
- 3. Share the road. The nice weather sees more motorcycles, cyclists and pedestrians on the road. Leave lots of room.
- **4.** Take it easy on the drive to your getaway. Construction and traffic mean leaving a bit more time to get to your destination. And watch for roadside hazards.
- **5.** Driving should be your only focus. If you must use a mobile phone, use a hands-free device. It's the law.

The Ontario Toyota Dealers, along with the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police, want you to have a safe and enjoyable summer on the road.





costs, at a minimum:

ITEM	COST
Legal Costs (estimated range)	\$2,000 – \$10,000
Criminal Code fine	\$1,000
back on track program	\$578 plus GST
Licence reinstatement fee	\$150
Increased insurance (estimate) (\$5,000 extra per year for 3 yrs)	\$15,000
Ignition Interlock	\$1,300
Total Minimum Cost* (plus applicable taxes on some items)	\$20,028

\* actual costs may be higher Information provided by MTO





## Too many Canadians are killed each year due to unfit drivers.

An unfit driver is anyone who's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle is compromised. Ability can be compromised due to mental capacity, inexperience, diminished vision or illness. If you suspect someone should not be operating a motor vehicle, please speak with your family physician or contact your local police for assistance.

**Drive Safely. Save Lives.** 



# Get out of the way!

It's the law for any driver who sees and hears an emergency vehicle approaching to get out of the way.

Here's what you MUST do:

- 1. Do not slam on the brakes or pull over suddenly. Check your rear-view mirror, look in front and on both sides of your vehicle. React quickly, but calmly before pulling over and use your signals.
- On a two-way road, traffic travelling both directions must pull over and stop as close as possible to the right-hand side of the road and clear of any intersection.
- 3. On a one-way road with more than two lanes, stop as close as possible to the nearest edge of the road and clear of any intersection.
- 4. Wait until the emergency vehicle has passed. Stay alert and look for more than one emergency vehicle approaching. Check to make sure the way is clear and signal before merging back into traffic.
- 5. On multi-lane freeways, many times an emergency vehicle will use the shoulder of the road if all the lanes are blocked. Don't block the shoulder.
- 6. Never follow or try to outrun an emergency vehicle.

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# If **YOU** are involved in a collision, **COLLISION REPORTING CENTRES** are here to help!

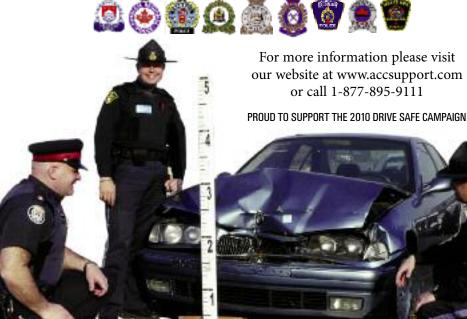
\$1,000 or more combined vehicle damage must be reported to Police.

Report the collision to the Police at the Collision Reporting Centres when there are:

- · No injuries
- · No Criminal Activity
- No Dangerous Goods

Exchange information at the scene, then report in the safety of your local Collision Reporting Centre. Our professional and courteous staff will guide you through the process with Police, and if you wish to report to your Insurer, they will assist you for convenient "One Stop Service"!

Accident Support Services has 21 offices across Ontario to serve you!





### **Cell-phone driving ban is now in effect!**

**Keep your eyes on the road and your hands on the wheel.** Ontario is now the fourth province to ban hand-held wireless communication devices or any hand-held electronic entertainment devices while driving. Drivers in Ontario are now prohibited by law to use hand-held cell phones, text or e-mail, or view laptops or DVD players while behind the wheel regardless of being at a stop-light or in heavy traffic.

Drivers who text, type, email, dial, or chat using a prohibited hand-held device can face fines of up to \$500, as well as possible demerit points, license suspension and/or imprisonment.

#### HANDS-FREE DEVICES ONLY

The new law applies only to hand-held wireless communications and hand-held electronic entertainment devices. This means drivers must only operate wireless devices that can be used in a "hands-free" manner.

Hands-Free Devices Include:

- a cell phone with an earpiece or headset using voice dialing or plugged into the vehicle's sound system
- a global positioning system (GPS) device that is properly secured to the dash board or another accessible place in the vehicle
- a portable audio player that has been plugged into the vehicle's sound system.

For more information, visit www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/safety/distracted-driving/index.shtml





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All operators of motorized boats now require a Pleasure Craft Operator Card\* regardless of age, size of boat or engine horsepower. It's the Law.

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#### All boaters need the card now - It's the law.



#### **Pleasure Craft Operator Card Tips**

- #1 **All operators of motorized vessels** now require a Pleasure Craft Operator Card. There are no exemptions for age, size of boat or engine horsepower.
- #2 Boaters need an Operator Card for all types of engines even electric trolling motors and canoes fitted with small engines.
- #3 Once obtained, **your Pleasure Craft Operator Card is good for life**, regardless of your age at time of certification.
- #4 The **fine for not having your Card is \$250.00** plus administrative fees and you must carry the original Card on board photocopies are not accepted.



Infoline: 1-877-792-3926

On behalf of the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police, I would like to thank the following sponsors and partners for their support of the 2010 Drive Safe Campaign. If you would like more information on this or any other campaigns, please email oacpadmin@oacp.ca.









































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