# Tackling drink driving in Spain

An overview of the road safety Spanish Public Prosecutor Division and the most recent actions against drink driving

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## The Public Prosecution Service

### Section 124 of the Spanish Constitution

TASK:

Promoting the operation of justice in defense of:

- the rule of law
- citizens' rights
- the public interest as safeguarded by the law



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Specific tasks

Management Training Enhancement Coordination Media Legislative







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Toxicology National Institute 2009 REPORT

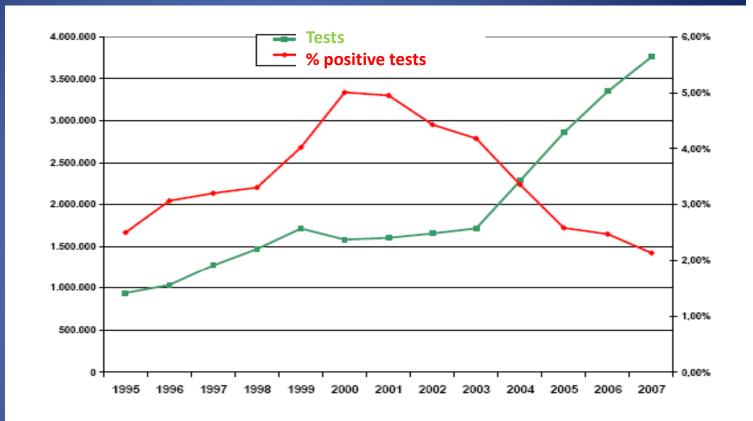
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## Alcohol (over 0.3 g/l)is detected in 30 % of drivers killed in traffic accidents





#### **Increase of preventive alcohol tests**



#### Decrease of positive test rate



## **PRESCRIBED LIMITS**

	BLOOD (g/l)	BREATH (mg/l)
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS		
<ul><li>PROFESSIONAL DRIVERS</li><li>NOVICES (2 first years)</li></ul>	0.5	0.25
OTHER DRIVERS	0.3	0.25
CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS	1.2	0.6



## Points System Act 17/2005.

## <u>4 points</u>

- Between 0'25-0'50 mg/l (expired breath) drivers in general.

- Between 0'15- 0`30 mg/ professiona drivers and novices

- <u>6 points</u>
  - Over 0'50 drivers in gener



- Over 0'30 professional drivers and novices



#### Criminal Code Amendment Act 15/2007

- **Driving over the prescribed limit.** Alcohol in breath over 0.60 milligrams per liter or a level of alcohol in blood over 1.2 grams per liter **Section 379**
- Refusal to undertake BAC tests. Section.383.
- Driving without license or whilst disqualified Imprisonment between 3 and 6 months or fine and community service Section 384
- Concurrence regulation : Drink driving + fatality Raised punishment: minimum imprisonment sentence of 2 ½ years. Section 382

• Disqualification for more than two years has as a consequence a permanent administrative disqualification from driving . Section 47





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## Alcolocks

Preventive.
In every new car?
In special vehicles?



A way to rehabilitate repeat offenders.
 In Criminal procedure
 In Administrative procedure





