

Developing and implementing an effective alcolock programme for drink-driver offenders

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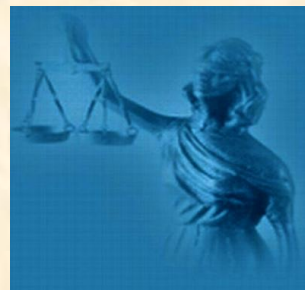
Why are they drinking and driving

- Lack of social control
- Lack of knowledge about alcohol effects and kinetic
- Overestimation of fitness to drive
- Underestimation of risk



Drink driving and justice

- “speed” model: regulation, enforcement, sanction, = deterrence model +/- educational approach (demeritus point system)
- Sanction based system of laws and regulation versus monitoring programs using alcohol interlock devices?



Why do we face a hardcore of drink driving offenders?

- Addiction of certain drivers makes uncertain the voluntary control of their alcohol consumption
- Euphoria and de inhibition of alcohol disturbs self evaluation

which targets ? which tools ?

Which goal ?

- Control of drink driving
- Or control of alcohol consumption...
- Enforcement and pressure on each individual to bring him to find alone his own way to “redemption”.
- A support from the Society to give help to an individual guilty to bring him a sustainable change of his risk behaviour

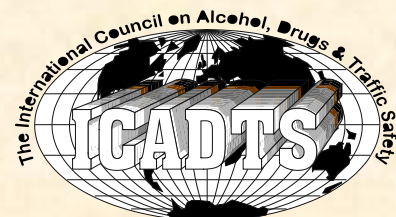


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Which populations, which programs



- heavy drinkers, recidivists
- Alcohol addicted
- First offenders
- Social drinkers



What kind of alcohol ignition programs?

- « dry » installation: practically no use, left in most of places, high risk of violation, circumvention, liability of magistrates
- « light » programs »: 6 months to 1 year, alternative or additional sanctions, with support and simple monitoring
- « medium » programs: 1 to 2 years, additional, with support, more monitoring (biomarkers, medical and/or psychological follow-up)
- « heavy » programs: 2 to 5 years, or permanently, with support, strict monitoring (biomarkers, medical and/or psychological follow-up, control of alcohol consumption out of driving situation)

The content of an alcohol ignition interlock program

- An interlock, efficient, reliable, certified
- An installation centre able to equip all vehicles in a proper way
- A data recording and management facing the requirements
- A program manager (probation officer, independent association but not the provider or the “administration”)
- A reporting process to the authority
- A follow up.....
- And a support for the participant
- Procedures (duration, level, costs)

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- *When the interlock program is a part of a monitoring is a part of a monitoring and accompanying framework, the recidivism rate stay 2 or 3 time below even several years after removal, compared to programs based on the only “hard control”.*

Alcohol Interlocks: which interest?

- General interest for Society:
- A kind of protection against drink driving
- A 60 to 75 % lower rate of recidivism
- For the individual
- A protection of social and professional life and integration
- A sustainable support of the behaviour
- A change in alcohol habits

Thank you for your attention