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**REVISION OF THE CONSOLIDATED RESOLUTIONS R.E.1 AND R.E.2**

Driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs and medication

Transmitted by the small group

The study of document TRANS/SC1/336/Rev.1, Resolution 123, has led to the drawing up of the present questionnaire, whose aim is to help the work of including in a new draft version of the resolution all the subjects to be considered and evaluating the different actions and policies adopted by States.

Alcohol use/abuse by drivers was considered as a guideline for evaluating other impairing situations, which can seriously affect driving and consequently road safety.

The small group will work on the document to be amended and consider all the priorities and issues indicated in the answers to the questionnaire, in order to have, in due time, an updated version, consistent with international principles of road safety and driving legislation.

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### ALCOHOL QUESTIONNAIRE

#### Legislation

1. Does your country have legislation that prohibits driving with a blood alcohol concentration greater than:

Alcohol level	Is there legislation prohibiting driving at this level		Is this considered a criminal (a) or administrative offence (b)	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
0.2				
0.5				
0.8				
1.0				

- (a) A criminal offence is one for which an offender may be given jail time.  
(b) An administrative offence is an infringement of the traffic/highway code, for which the offender does not lose personal freedom.

2. What penalties are given to offenders for driving under the influence of alcohol?

Check all that apply

- 1-2-3 days + ban from driving
- Jail (up to \_\_\_\_\_ days, please specify)
- Licence suspension
- Licence revocation
- Fine
- Mandatory medical assessment
- Mandatory abuse treatment
- Obligatory use of an Alcohol Interlock system
- Vehicle confiscation for repeat offenders

3. Does your country have any limitation on the sale of alcohol?

*List or specify*

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4. At what age can a person legally purchase?

Wine \_\_\_\_\_

Light beer \_\_\_\_\_  
Beer \_\_\_\_\_  
Spirits \_\_\_\_\_

5. Is there a lower alcohol limit for new or learner drivers?

Yes  No

What is the level? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Is it prohibited to have an open bottle in the cabin of the vehicle while driving?

Yes  No

7. What methods do law enforcement agencies use to detect impaired drivers?

Check all that apply

- Random breath tests
- Alcohol/sobriety checkpoints
- High-risk area patrols
- Regular patrols

8. What signs must be demonstrated by drivers in order for police officers to ask them to take a breath test?

Check all that apply

- None – police officer can just ask
- Detection by passive sensor
- Failure of standardized field sobriety tests
- Clues (smell, bottles, slurred speech)

9. Can an evidentiary breath test be administered at the roadside?

Yes  No

*Please specify*

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10. Are there any penalties for refusing the breath test?

Yes  No

*Please specify*

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11. Are there specialized training programmes for law enforcement officers?

Yes     No

*Please give more information*

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12. Does your country have educational campaigns (government-run) to raise awareness about drinking and driving?

	National		Regional	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
TV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Radio	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brochures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Videos/CDs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Websites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
School programmes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please tick "yes" or "no" under "national" and "regional".

13. Does your country have non-governmental organizations involved in education about drinking and driving?

Yes     No

*Please list*

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