

# Ignition Interlock Program

## What will make me fail a breath test?

If your blood alcohol concentration (BAC) is at or over 0.025, the device will record a failure to comply, and it will not allow you to start the vehicle. Using anything containing alcohol can result in a failure including alcoholic beverages, mouthwash, food cooked with alcohol, some fermented fruits, some toothpastes, cough medicine, inhalers, etc. The failure will be noted in the device's data report.

## Can family members and friends drive my ignition-interlock-device-equipped vehicle?

Yes. However, they will need to blow into the device to start the vehicle, and you are responsible for all readings recorded by your device. If someone else blows into the device and produces a BAC reading of 0.025 or greater, you will be presumed to have provided that breath sample. This failure will appear on the report sent to Driver Services.

## What if I will be out of state temporarily?

You still must meet Wyoming requirements. Contact the manufacturer of your device to locate an authorized interlock installer in the jurisdiction you will be in to provide the required services. It is your responsibility to work with your interlock manufacturer and authorized installer to provide WYDOT Driver Services with all required reporting until you return to Wyoming.

## Can I rent a car?

No. You must drive a vehicle equipped with the ignition interlock device at all times.

## Find Ignition Interlock Devices

These independent, private companies' ignition interlock devices meet the specifications required in Wyoming law and approved by the WYDOT Driver Services program.

Costs may vary, so please contact them for information and to make an appointment with an approved installation site and certified technician within Wyoming:

**LifeSafer Inc.**  
800-634-3077  
[www.lifesafers.com](http://www.lifesafers.com)

**Smart Start Inc.**  
800-880-3394  
[www.SmartStartInc.com](http://www.SmartStartInc.com)

**Dräger**  
307-777-4800, option #3  
[www.dsdi4life.com](http://www.dsdi4life.com)

**Intoxalock**  
877-777-5020  
[www.intoxalock.com](http://www.intoxalock.com)

**Low Cost Interlock**  
844-218-6335  
[www.lowcostinterlock.com](http://www.lowcostinterlock.com)



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Ignition interlock devices must be installed on any vehicle operated by anyone who has been convicted of certain alcohol-related offenses.

Offenders will be notified by mail of the mandatory ignition interlock requirement once the conviction is entered on their driving record. Offenders should make sure they have updated their mailing address with WYDOT Driver Services so they will receive notification in a timely fashion.

An ignition interlock restricted (IIR) license shall not be issued to any person who is not eligible by state statute. An ignition interlock restricted license shall not be issued to any person holding a commercial driver's license (CDL). A CDL holder can downgrade to a non-CDL class license.

If you have any questions regarding the Ignition Interlock program or requirements, please call Customer Service at 307-777-4800.

Many of the required forms are available on the WYDOT website: [www.dot.state.wy.us](http://www.dot.state.wy.us)



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# FAQ about Ignition Interlock

## When am I eligible to drive my vehicle equipped with the ignition interlock device?

If your suspension/revocation has already started, you must have a restricted ignition interlock license from Driver Services before you are legally allowed to drive. Therefore, you must have someone drive you to the service provider to install the device. Take your installation certificate to your nearest driver license exam office. You will need to pay a \$50 license reinstatement fee, apply for a special ignition interlock restricted driver license and pay the required fees for that license, including a \$100 IIR driver license administration fee. You also will be required to file and maintain proof of financial responsibility (SR22 form) with Driver Services.

## Can I switch vendors?

Yes, you may change vendors at any time. Check your service contract to determine if there are any early termination fees. Make sure to provide Driver Services with your new installation certificate.

## Can I install an interlock device on my motorcycle?

Yes, but please check with the individual vendors to see if they offer this option.

## Does the device need to be serviced or maintained in any way?

Yes. Once installed in your vehicle, the device must be calibrated and inspected by a certified installer every 30-60 days. The inspection is done to make sure the device is working properly and to detect any issues of noncompliance.

## Does Driver Services monitor the ignition interlock device activity?

Yes. When the device is serviced every 30-60 days, the installer forwards the data report to Driver Services. If the data report indicates the device is removed, it will result in the immediate suspension or revocation of your license.

# A Quick Look:

## What if I need work done on the vehicle? Will that be considered tampering?

Contact your service provider prior to having work done on your vehicle. The service provider can work with your mechanic to avoid any tamper violations. Provide Driver Services written receipts to avoid program termination.

## What happens if I sell my vehicle?

Prior to selling the vehicle you must have the device removed by the installer and then installed in your new vehicle. You will need to provide Driver Services a new installation certificate.

## What if my vehicle has been wrecked?

Contact your installer for specific instructions on how to handle this situation. Depending upon the amount of damage to your vehicle, you may need to obtain a new device. Should you have to replace your vehicle, you will need to have a device installed in your new vehicle. You will need to provide Driver Services a new installation certificate.

## Am I eligible to get off the program early for good behavior?

No. There is no reduction in the length of your requirement period.

## I have kept my device for the required amount of time based on my suspension/revocation. What steps should I take before having the device removed?

Contact WYDOT Driver Services at 307-777-4800 to verify that you are eligible to have the interlock removed. If you have met your requirements, Driver Services will advise you if you may have the restriction removed from your license. You may then have the device removed from your vehicle. Additional re-licensing requirements may apply for revocations.

## What if I need more training on how to use and blow into the device?

Contact your service provider for additional training.

## In extreme weather, can I start my car and let it run until the car warms up or cools down?

No. The device will ask for random rolling retests while the vehicle is running. Failure to provide a breath sample will be considered a skipped rolling retest.

## Can the interlock unit drain my battery or damage my vehicle?

No. Problems occur only if your vehicle has an existing electrical problem or if the vehicle's battery has died. The device is connected to the wiring under the dash and under the hood. At the end of the program, this wiring is restored to its original condition.

## Will the interlock shut off my engine or stop my vehicle?

No. The ignition interlock device will not shut off your engine if a breath test is failed. It is designed to prevent the car from starting without a passing breath test. If you fail a test while driving, the device records a violation but will not stop your car.

## Why does the horn blow if I fail a "rolling retest", or if I do not provide a breath test during the "rolling retest"?

If you have failed the "rolling retest" breath test, or if you do not provide a breath sample for a "rolling retest", the sounding of the horn is a mechanism of alerting law enforcement in the area you are travelling. It is a warning that they should conduct a traffic stop on your vehicle. These retests are randomly variable, anywhere from 3-10 minutes.

## If I fail a "rolling retest", will my car turn off while I am driving?

No. For safety reasons, the device cannot turn off the vehicle while you are driving. If you turn the vehicle off, it will not start again, but it will not turn off while you are driving.

