



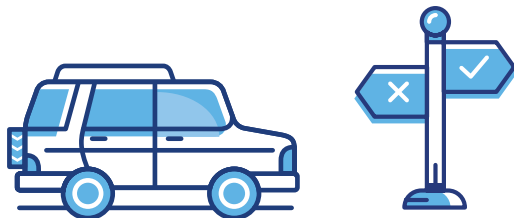
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Distracted Driving Affects Us All

Know the Facts Reduce Your Risks.

79%
of Canadians

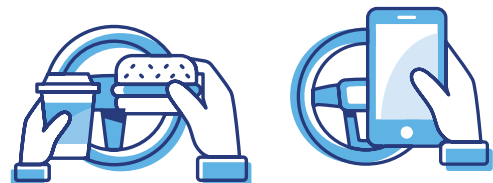


admit to being **distracted while driving.**
CAA, 2021



One person is injured in a distracted-driving collision **every half hour.**

MTO, 2019



Driver distraction is one of the **most common causes** of collisions.

11%
of Ontario drivers



have been involved in a collision caused by distracted driving.

CAA SCO, 2022

You **CAN** use the following:

- ✓ Any mobile phone or personal audio device that is pre-programmed and plugged into your car's sound system – you may also activate these devices to hands-free mode while driving (if applicable)
- ✓ A GPS that has been pre-programmed and secured to your car's dashboard or windshield
- ✓ Bluetooth or hands-free devices and headsets
- ✓ Two-way, CB or mobile radios (handheld-mikes and portable radios like walkie-talkies must have a lapel button or other hands-free accessory)

You **CANNOT** use the following:

- Cell phones
- Tablets
- Smartphones
- iPods and MP3 players
- Laptops
- DVD players

Know the law.

It is illegal for drivers in Ontario to talk, text, type, dial or email using cell phones and other hand-held communication and entertainment devices while operating a motor vehicle.

Despite this ban, distracted driving continues to be a leading contributing factor in collisions on Ontario's roads.

Penalties for distracted driving.

Drivers who are caught breaking the law face strict fines and penalties for distracted driving convictions:

FIRST CONVICTION	SECOND CONVICTION	THIRD CONVICTION
\$615 fine	\$615 fine	\$615 fine
if settled out of court	if settled out of court	if settled out of court
OR	OR	OR
UP TO \$1,000 fine	UP TO \$2,000 fine	UP TO \$3,000 fine
if case taken to court	if case taken to court	if case taken to court
+ 3	+ 6	+ 6
demerit points	demerit points	demerit points
+ 3-DAY	+ 7-DAY	+ 30-DAY
licence suspension	licence suspension	licence suspension

Novice drivers, take note.

Ontario drivers with G1, G2, M1 and M2 licences are considered "novice" or new drivers. This group of motorists is still gaining important driving experience before getting a full licence.

Novice drivers convicted of distracted driving face the same fines as fully licensed drivers, but won't receive any demerit points.

Instead of demerit points, novice drivers face longer suspensions:

- 30-day licence suspension for a first conviction
- 90-day licence suspension for a second conviction
- Cancellation of licence and removal from the Graduated Licensing System for a third conviction

Distractions.

Anything that takes your focus away from the safe operation of a motor vehicle can be considered distracted driving. This includes:

- Passengers and conversations
- Eating and drinking
- Personal grooming
- In-vehicle console and infotainment system



Focus on Safe Driving. Know What's at Stake.





Endangering others by driving distracted can lead to careless driving charges too.

Drivers who endanger others by being distracted with phones or hands-free devices like a Bluetooth, may now be charged with careless driving under the Highway Traffic Act, or even dangerous driving under the Criminal Code of Canada.

Drivers convicted of careless driving causing bodily harm or death could face:

Six demerit points

Fines ranging from \$2,000 to \$50,000

Up to two years in jail

A licence suspension of up to five years



Dangerous driving is a criminal offence that carries heavier penalties, including jail terms of up to 10 years for causing bodily harm or up to 14 years for causing death.

Help Keep Ontario's Roads Safe

Tips to reduce distractions.

- Pre-set GPS
- Set phone to "Do Not Disturb"
- Secure pets properly
- Pre-set climate control and radio
- Do not text, check the internet or read emails
- Avoid eating, drinking or grooming



Device use while driving.

You cannot use any device that requires you to scroll, type or otherwise use your hands to activate or operate it.

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Stay focused on the road.

For more information, visit caasco.com/distracted



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