

ALCOHOL/DRUG - RELATED LAWS IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Driving While Intoxicated

A person is legally drunk if their blood alcohol concentration (BAC) is .10% or higher. A person may also be arrested with a BAC lower than .10% if their driving ability is considered unsafe.

All persons convicted of DWI must pay an insurance surcharge of at least \$1,000/year for 3 years.

- 1st Offense DWI Penalties: Additional fines and charges of at least \$470; loss of license for 6-12 months; 12-48 hours to be spent at an Intoxicated Driver Resource Center; and a possible 30-day jail sentence.
- 2nd Offense DWI Penalties: Additional fines and charges of at least \$720; loss of license for 2 years; requirements for 30 days community service and 48 hours in an Intoxicated Driver Resource Center or jail; and a possible 90-day jail sentence.
- 3rd Offense DWI Penalties: Additional fines and charges of at least \$1,120; loss of license for 10 years; a 180-day jail sentence; and an insurance surcharge of \$1,500/years for 3 years
- Refusing Breath Test: Refusal to take the breath test where there is probable cause for arrest carries a fine of \$250-\$500, a loss of license for 6 months, and obligation to complete an alcohol education or rehabilitation program. A person can also be convicted of DWI without the results of a breath or other chemical test of their blood alcohol.
- Suspended License: Driving with a license suspended because of a DWI conviction carries a 1-2 year additional suspension, a fine of \$500, and a possible 90-day jail sentence. Involvement in an injury-causing accident carries a mandatory 45-day jail sentence.
- Open Container: Having an open or unsealed container of an alcoholic beverage in a car carries a \$200 fine for first offense, and a \$250 fine or 10-day community service obligation for a second offense.

Underaged Possession/Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages

The minimum age for possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages in New Jersey is 21

- Possession/Consumption: Any person under the age of 21 who knowingly possesses or consumes alcoholic beverages in a public place or a vehicle is guilty of a disorderly persons offense which carries a fine of not less than \$100.
- Purchase: Any person under the age of 21 who purchases or attempts to purchase alcohol, or who misstates his/her age, or a person of legal age who purchases alcohol for an underage person faces a disorderly persons offense which carries a fine of not less than \$100 and a license suspension of 6-12 months.
- Service to Underaged: Any person who knowingly offers, serves or makes available alcohol to an underage person, or entices the underage person to consume alcohol, is committing a disorderly persons offense and faces a fine up to \$1000.
- Transfer of ID: Any person who is underage and uses another person's ID to obtain alcohol, or a person who is of legal age and gives their ID to an underage person to obtain alcohol, faces a fine of up to \$300 or a 60-day jail sentence.
- Manufacturing False ID: Any person who sells or offers to sell a document that simulates a State driver's license or other governmental document that could be used to verify a person's age is guilty of a disorderly persons offense and faces a fine of up to \$1000.

Various Drug-Related Laws and Penalties in New Jersey

All New Jersey DWI Laws cover the use of other drugs as well as alcohol

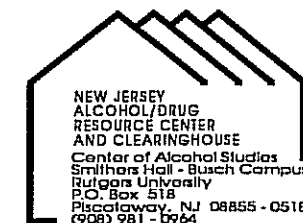
- Age and Drug Offenses: A person 14 years or older charged with a drug offense can be tried as an adult; anyone convicted of distributing controlled substances to a person under 18 is subject to twice the fine, penalty and term of imprisonment.
- Drug-Induced Deaths: If a person dies as the result of using a controlled substance, the person who distributes or dispenses the substance can be prosecuted for homicide.
- Fines/Penalties: Anyone convicted of any drug offense, including use, must pay a special cash penalty of from \$500 to \$3,000 which is used for drug enforcement and prevention programs.
- Drug Use/Driving Privilege: Anyone convicted of any drug offense will lose their driver's license for at least 6 months; anyone under 17 convicted for a drug offense may not be able to get a license for at least 6 months after turning 17.
- Drug-Free School Zones: Anyone convicted of distributing controlled substances may be considered a dealer and therefore be subject to imprisonment without parole; anyone convicted even of simple possession will be required to perform at least 100 hours of community service; Anyone convicted as an adult of passing a drug other than Marijuana will serve three years in prison without parole; Anyone convicted as an adult for distributing any amount of Marijuana will serve at least one year in prison without parole.

AND OTHER DRUG USE AND ABUSE

A GUIDE TO THE HEALTH RISKS OF ALCOHOL

GET THE FACTS:

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS



COMMONLY USED / ABUSED DRUGS AND THEIR RISKS

Classification	Drug	Common or Brand Name	Dependence Potential		Acute Effects	Health Risks and Effects of Long-Term Use*	Overdose Effects
			Physical	Psychological			
ALCOHOL	ETHANOL	BEER	HIGH	HIGH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LOWERED INHIBITIONS • IMPAIRED JUDGMENT, VISION, • LOSS OF MOTOR SKILLS, COORDINATION • SLURRED SPEECH 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HYPERTENSION • LIVER DAMAGE • CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE • TOXIC PSYCHOSIS • NEUROLOGIC DAMAGE • ADDICTION WITH SEVERE WITHDRAWL 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COMA • POSSIBLE DEATH
	---	WINE	HIGH	HIGH			
	---	DISTILLED LIQUOR	HIGH	HIGH			
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NARCOTICS	Ⓞ OPIUM	† PAREGORIC, DOVER'S POWDER	HIGH	HIGH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EUPHORIA, DROWSINESS • RESPIRATORY DEPRESSION • CONSTRICTED PUPILS • NAUSEA, VOMITING • ANALGESIA (PAIN RELIEF) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LOSS OF APPETITE • CONSTIPATION • RISK OF AIDS, HEPATITIS FROM I.V. DRUG USE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SHALLOW RESPIRATION • CLAMMY SKIN • CONVULSIONS, COMA • POSSIBLE DEATH • MAY BE TOXIC IF MIXED WITH ALCOHOL
	MORPHINE	† MORPHINE	HIGH	HIGH			
	CODEINE	† TYLENOL W/ CODEINE, ROBITUSSIN	HIGH	HIGH			
	Ⓞ HEROIN	HEROIN	HIGH	HIGH			
	MEPERIDINE	† DEMEROL, PETHADOL	HIGH	HIGH			
	OTHER	† DILAUID, LENTINE, PERCODAN	HIGH	HIGH			
DEPRESSANTS	CHLORAL HYDRATE	† NOCTEC, SOMNOS	MODERATE	MODERATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SLURRED SPEECH • DISORIENTATION • DRUNKEN BEHAVIOR WITHOUT THE ODOR OF ALCOHOL • RELAXATION, DEPRESSION 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADDICTION WITH WITHDRAWL • TOXIC PSYCHOSIS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SHALLOW RESPIRATION • COLD, CLAMMY SKIN • WEAK, RAPID PULSE • COMA • POSSIBLE DEATH • MAY BE TOXIC IF MIXED WITH ALCOHOL
	BARBITURATES	† NEMBUTAL, PHENOBARBITOL, SECONAL, TUINOL	HIGH	HIGH			
	GLUTETHIMIDE	† DORIDEN	HIGH	HIGH			
	METHAQUALONE	† OPTIMIL, PAREST, QUAALUDE, SOPOR	HIGH	HIGH			
	TRANQUILIZERS	† EQUANIL, VALIUM, TRANXENE, SERAX, XANAX	MODERATE	HIGH			
	OTHER	† DALMANE, DORMATE, PLACIDYL, VALMID	HIGH	HIGH			
STIMULANTS	Ⓞ COCAINE	COCAINE HYDROCHLORIDE	POSSIBLE	HIGH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FEELING OF WELL-BEING • EXCITATION, EUPHORIA • INCREASED ALERTNESS • INCREASED BLOOD PRESSURE, PULSE • INSOMNIA, APPETITE LOSS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DELUSIONS, HALLUCINATIONS (TOXIC PSYCHOSIS) • POSSIBLE ORGAN / TISSUE DAMAGE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGITATION • TEMPERATURE INCREASE • HALLUCINATIONS • CONVULSIONS • HEART ATTACK; STROKE
	Ⓞ AMPHETAMINE	† BENZEDRINE, BIPHETAMINE, DESOXYN, DEXEDRINE	POSSIBLE	HIGH			
	PHENMETRAZINE	† PRELUDIN	POSSIBLE	HIGH			
	METHYLPHENIDATE	† RITALIN	POSSIBLE	HIGH			
	OTHER	† CYLERT, DIDREX, PRE-SATE, SANOREX, VORANIL	POSSIBLE	HIGH			
HALLUCINOGENICS	Ⓞ LSD	ACID, LYSERGIC ACID	LOW	UNKNOWN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DILATED PUPILS • INCREASED BLOOD PRESSURE, PULSE • DELUSIONS / HALLUCINATIONS • DISTORTED PERCEPTION OF TIME, SPACE, AND REALITY 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HALLUCINOGENS, ESPECIALLY LSD, MAY INTENSIFY EXISTING PSYCHOSIS • POSSIBLE VIOLENT BEHAVIOR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INTENSE "BAD TRIPS" • PSYCHOSIS • POSSIBLE SUDDEN DEATH
	Ⓞ Mescaline	PEYOTE, PEYOTE BUTTONS, Mescalito	LOW	UNKNOWN			
	Ⓞ Psilocybin	MAGIC MUSHROOMS, SHROOMS	LOW	UNKNOWN			
	Ⓞ MDA	---	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN			
	Ⓞ PCP	ANGEL DUST, CRYSTAL, CERNYLAN (VETERINARY)	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN			
INHALANTS	AIRPLANE GLUE	ACTIVE INGREDIENT: TOLUENE	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SLURRED SPEECH • DRUNKEN BEHAVIOR • IMPAIRED JUDGMENT • POOR COORDINATION 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HALLUCINATIONS • POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO BONE MARROW, LUNGS, KIDNEYS, LIVER, HEART, BRAIN, EYES 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNCONSCIOUSNESS • COMA • POSSIBLE TOXIC REACTION • POSSIBLE SUDDEN DEATH
	LIGHTER FLUID	ACTIVE INGREDIENT: NAPHTHALENE	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN			
	AEROSOLS	ACTIVE INGREDIENT: CHLOROFLOUROCARBON	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN			
	SPRAY PAINTS	ACTIVE INGREDIENT: PETROLEUM DISTILLATES	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN			
	PAINT THINNER	ACTIVE INGREDIENT: PETROLEUM DISTILLATES	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN			
	GASOLINE	ACTIVE INGREDIENT: PETROLEUM DISTILLATES	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN			
	"POPPERS"	ACTIVE INGREDIENT: AMYL / BUTYL NITRITE	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN			
CANNABIS	Ⓞ MARIJUANA	GRASS; POT; WEED; DOPE	LOW	MODERATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TACHYCARDIA; REDDENED EYES • EUPHORIA; PROFOUND HUMOR • ALTERED TIME/SPACE PERCEPTION • SHORT-TERM MEMORY LOSS • INCREASED APPETITE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CARDIOVASCULAR DAMAGE AS WITH SMOKING TOBACCO • PARANOIA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INSOMNIA; HYPERACTIVITY • PANIC ATTACKS; PARANOIA • POSSIBLE TOXIC REACTION IF TREATED W/ OTHER CHEMICALS
	Ⓞ HASHISH	HASH	LOW	MODERATE			
	Ⓞ HASH OIL	---	LOW	MODERATE			
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TOBACCO	NICOTINE	CIGARETTES	MODERATE	HIGH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RELAXATION • STIMULATION 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, LUNG CANCER • RESPIRATORY ILLNESS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • POSSIBLE DEATH AT VERY HIGH DOSAGE LEVEL
	---	CIGARS	MODERATE	HIGH			

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*ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG USE DURING PREGNANCY INCREASES RISK OF PHYSICAL HARM TO FETUS.

†PSYCHOACTIVE DRUG EFFECTS REFER TO USE AT A GREATER THAN PRESCRIBED, THERAPEUTIC DOSAGE LEVEL

Ⓞ ADDITIONAL RISK OF HARM FROM TOXIC IMPURITIES IN "STREET" DRUGS