

## 'High Risk Offenders'

The 'High Risk Offenders' scheme is designed to identify drivers who may not be fit to drive. It is determined by a medical conducted by a DVLA appointed doctor.

To be eligible either -

- you were convicted of 2 drink-driving offences within 10 years
- you were driving with an alcohol reading of at least -  
87.5 microgrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of **breath**, or  
200 milligrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of **blood**, or  
267.5 milligrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of **urine**
- you refused to give the police a sample of breath, blood or urine to test for alcohol
- you refused to allow a sample of your blood to be tested for alcohol (e.g. taken when you were unconscious)

This means that your licence will **not automatically** be returned to you. **You** have to assure DVLA that your drinking is not a problem before they will allow the reinstatement of your licence. This is not something to leave until the last moment, you need to begin considering your drinking behaviour as soon as possible, it could mean substantial changes in your lifestyle and these do not happen overnight.

As we see it you have two options -

### Option 1

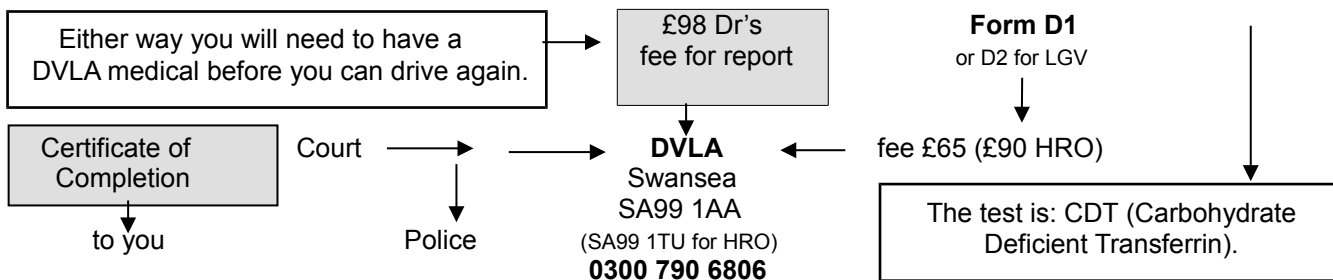
Do nothing and await the DVLA to advise you of their approved doctor, make an appointment, go and see them, pay and hope you are OK. This could be just a week or so before you are due to regain your licence -

If your blood test readings are 'raised' the doctor may say "come back in 6 or 12 months" - if the tests are normal then you should regain your licence on time!

### Option 2

Or, you could - get a blood test (LFT - liver function test similar to CDT) from your GP (or private hospital) now! - If your test readings\* are 'raised' this will be a strong indicator that you need to reduce/abstain from alcohol until they reduce to a level acceptable to DVLA. This could take months.

If they are normal now then you could choose to continue drinking at your current level until you see the DVLA doctor.



### DR codes

- DR10 ~ Driving or attempting to drive with alcohol above the limit \*      \*obligatory ban,  
 DG10 ~ Driving or attempting to drive with drug level above the limit \*      ~discretionary ban, if not banned - 10 points
- DR20 ~ Driving or attempting to drive while unfit through drink \*  
 DG80 ~ Driving or attempting to drive when unfit through drugs \*
- DR30 ~ Driving or attempting to drive then failing to supply a specimen for analysis \*  
 DR31 ~ Driving or attempting to drive then refusing to give permission for analysis of a blood sample that was taken without consent due to incapacity (i.e. unconscious in hospital) \*
- DR60 Failure to provide a specimen for analysis in circumstances other than driving or attempting to drive ~  
 DR61 ~ Refusing to give permission for analysis of a blood sample that was taken without consent due to incapacity ~  
 DG60 ~ Causing death by careless driving when unfit through drugs \*
- DR70 Failing to supply a specimen for breath analysis ~  
 DR40 In charge of a vehicle whilst alcohol level is above the limit ~  
 DG40 In charge of a vehicle whilst while drug level above specified limit ~  
 DR50 In charge of a vehicle whilst unfit through drink ~  
 DG90 In charge of a vehicle when unfit through drugs ~      ~ stays on your licence for 11 years, the rest stay for 4 years

\*Your GP may not be able to do a CDT (Carbohydrate Deficient Transferrin) test but LFTs, (liver function test) will do, its similar to CDT)

## Drink

Codes DR10 to DR61 must stay on a driving record for 11 years from the date of the conviction.

<b>Code</b>	<b>Offence</b>	<b>Penalty points</b>
DR10	Driving or attempting to drive with alcohol level above limit	3 to 11
DR20	Driving or attempting to drive while unfit through drink	3 to 11
DR30	Driving or attempting to drive then failing to supply a specimen for analysis	3 to 11
DR31	Driving or attempting to drive then refusing to give permission for analysis of a blood sample that was taken without consent due to incapacity	3 to 11
DR61	Refusing to give permission for analysis of a blood sample that was taken without consent due to incapacity in circumstances other than driving or attempting to drive	10

Codes DR40 to DR70 must stay on a driving record for 4 years from the date of the offence.

<b>Code</b>	<b>Offence</b>	<b>Penalty points</b>
DR40	In charge of a vehicle while alcohol level above limit	10
DR50	In charge of a vehicle while unfit through drink	10
DR60	Failure to provide a specimen for analysis in circumstances other than driving or attempting to drive	10
DR70	Failing to provide specimen for breath test	4

## Drugs

These codes must stay on a driving record for 11 years from the date of the conviction.

<b>Code</b>	<b>Offence</b>	<b>Penalty points</b>
DG10	Driving or attempting to drive with drug level above the specified limit	3 to 11
DG60	Causing death by careless driving with drug level above the limit	3 to 11
DR80	Driving or attempting to drive when unfit through drugs	3 to 11

These codes must stay on a driving record for 4 years from the date of the offence or 4 years from date of conviction where a disqualification is imposed.

<b>Code</b>	<b>Offence</b>	<b>Penalty points</b>
DG40	In charge of a vehicle while drug level above specified limit	10
DR90	In charge of a vehicle when unfit through drugs	10