



2009 Delaware DUI Fact Sheet

- ❑ In 2008, 52 of 122 traffic deaths (43%) were alcohol-related.
- ❑ Nearly 7,000 people were arrested for DUI in Delaware in 2008.
- ❑ Most alcohol-related fatal crashes in Delaware occur between 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. Friday through Sunday.
- ❑ In Delaware, the average DUI offender is a white male, between the ages of 29 – 34. Males 21-34 are most likely to be involved in a DUI crash.
- ❑ 31% of alcohol-related deaths in 2008 occurred in NcCo, 32% in Kent, and 37% in Sussex.
- ❑ Nationally in 2007, approximately 13,000 people (32% of all killed in collisions) died in alcohol-related crashes.
- ❑ First time offenders account for 70% of all Delaware's DUI arrests

Penalties:

- ❑ 1st offense – revoked license between 3 months and 1 year, \$230-1150 in fines, up to 6 months in jail
- ❑ 8 weeks of mandatory DUI treatment classes with drug testing (\$300 - \$700)
- ❑ Ignition Interlock device if applicable – a minimum of \$480
- ❑ Increased insurance rates
- ❑ A criminal record
- ❑ Attorney's fees (average \$2,000) plus time off work for court appearances