

The Laws are Clear for Teens...

- Driving under the influence of alcohol or other drugs is a criminal offense. Convictions can result in heavy fines, loss of license and a jail sentence. Even juveniles may receive a DUI conviction on their driving records.
- Those age 13-17 caught for public intoxication, or for buying, possessing, or drinking alcohol, can lose their license for 6 months, or not even be able to apply for a license until age 16^{3/4}.
- Penalties for possession of a false driver's license, fraudulent use of a driver's license, or use of a false or deceptive driver's license to purchase alcohol can result in a mandatory minimum fine of \$500 or community service, and loss of license for up to 1 year.
- Drinking or possessing alcohol on school grounds can result in a fine up to \$1,000 and a jail sentence up to six months.
- Persons 20 years of age or less with a BAC of .02 to .07 will lose their license for 1 year and can be fined a mandatory minimum of \$500 or assigned community service.



What Legal Intoxication is in Virginia

- There is no legal intoxication level for persons less than 21 years of age in Virginia. Virginia prohibits persons younger than 21 from consuming alcohol and from driving an automobile with any measurable alcohol level.
- Adult drivers arrested with a BAC (BAC) of .08 or greater without further evidence. However, impairment occurs well before reaching that level.
- Adult drivers may be convicted of driving under the influence (DUI) with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) below .08 may still be convicted of DUI with additional evidence of intoxication due to alcohol or other drugs.