

Alcohol & Commercial Vehicle Drivers

“An Unhealthy Duo”



It is illegal for an operator of a commercial motor vehicle to:

- Consume an intoxicating beverage, regardless of its alcoholic content within four hours before operating a commercial vehicle; or
- Have any measurable alcohol concentration of any detectable presence of alcohol while operating a vehicle; or
- Possess an intoxicating beverage, regardless of its alcoholic content while on duty or operating a commercial motor vehicle. However, this does not apply to an intoxicating beverage which is manifested and transported as part of a shipment.

Drivers violating the above laws may be subject to:

- Prosecution for Driving Under the Influence (D.U.I.) with an alcohol concentration of 0.04 grams or above.
- Criminal and civil penalties subsequent to detection of any measurable alcohol concentration.
- Criminal and civil penalties subsequent to possession of an intoxicating beverage.
- A minimum 24 hour “out-of service” order.
- Commercial driver disqualification subsequent to a D.U.I. conviction or refusal to submit to alcohol testing.

NOTE: To report an intoxicated driver in Georgia, dial *477 (Asterisk-4-7-7) on your cellular phone.



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