

An illustration of a large billboard with a teal background. To the left of the billboard is a green cannabis leaf. Below the billboard, a police car and a blue car are shown on a road with a city skyline in the background. The billboard has the text 'Cannabis and Cars' in large white letters, followed by 'Do you know what it will cost you?' in smaller white letters.

Cannabis and Cars

Do you know what it will cost you?

*New federal transportation legislation tackles impaired driving crimes.
Stay updated so you can stay safe on the road.*

An illustration of a teal book with the word 'LAW' in large, bold, white letters. Below the title are three horizontal white lines representing text on the book's cover.

LAW

The new two part legislation creates a simplified legislative framework that addresses all transportation offences, including impaired driving in Canada.

The law also applies to those with medical authorization for cannabis.

A large green cannabis leaf is positioned in the bottom right corner of the page, partially overlapping the text area.

Penalties for drug-impaired driving

New Summary conviction offence

- 2 nanograms (ng) but less than 5ng of THC per millilitre (ml) of blood

Maximum
\$1,000 fine

New Hybrid offences

- 5 ng or more of THC per ml of blood
- Any detectable level of LSD, psilocybin, psilocin, ketamine, PCP, cocaine, methamphetamine, 6-mam
- 5 mg/L of GHB

First offence

Mandatory minimum
\$1,000 fine

Second offence

Mandatory minimum
\$1,000 fine

Third offence subsequent offences

Mandatory minimum
120 days imprisonment

- 5 milligrams (mg) of alcohol per 100 ml blood + 2.5 ng or more of THC per ml of blood



First offence

Mandatory minimum
\$1,000 fine



Second offence

Mandatory minimum
30 days imprisonment



Third offence subsequent offences

Mandatory minimum
120 days imprisonment



Drug-impaired driving that does not cause bodily harm or death maximum penalties

Summary conviction



18 months imprisonment

Indictment



5 years imprisonment

**Drug-impaired driving cause
bodily harm - Maximum penalty**

Indictment 10 year imprisonment

**Drug-impaired driving cause
death - Maximum penalty**

Life imprisonment

Testing



Police can demand that a driver comply with either a standardized field sobriety test or provide an oral fluid sample if they reasonably suspect a drug is in the driver's body. If they have reasonable grounds to believe that an offence has been committed, they can demand a blood sample or drug recognition evaluation.

Penalties for impaired driving as of December 18, 2018



Alcohol-impaired driving that does not cause bodily
harm or death - Mandatory minimum penalties

**First offence + blood
alcohol (BAC) of 80-119 mg**



**Mandatory minimum
\$1,000 fine**

**First offence + BAC of
120-159 mg**



**Mandatory minimum
\$1,500 fine**

**First offence + BAC of
160 mg or more**



**Mandatory minimum
\$2,000 fine**

**First offence of refusal to
be tested**



**Mandatory minimum
\$2,000 fine**

Second offence



**Mandatory minimum
30 days imprisonment**

**Third and subsequent
offences**



**Mandatory minimum
120 days
imprisonment**



Drug-impaired driving - Summary conviction offence



2 nanogram (ng) but less than 5 ng of THC per millilitre (ml) of blood

Maximum \$1000 fine

Drug-impaired driving - Summary conviction offence

- 5 ng or more of THC per ml of blood
- Any detectable level of LSD, psilocybin, psilocin, ketamine, PCP, cocaine, methamphetamine, 6-mam
- 5 mg/L of GHB

First offence

Mandatory minimum \$1,000 fine

Second offence

Mandatory minimum \$1,000 fine

Third offence subsequent offences

Mandatory minimum 120 days imprisonment

- 5 milligrams (mg) of alcohol per 100 ml blood + 2.5 ng or more of THC per ml of blood

First offence

Mandatory minimum \$1,000 fine

Second offence

Mandatory minimum 30 of days imprisonment

Third offence subsequent offences

Mandatory minimum 120 days imprisonment

Impaired driving causing no bodily harm or death - Maximum penalties



Summary conviction

10 year imprisonment



Indiction

10 year imprisonment

Impaired driving causing bodily harm - Maximum penalties



Summary conviction

10 year imprisonment



Indiction

10 year imprisonment

Drug-impaired driving cause death -Maximum penalty

Life imprisonment

Wait time for provincial interlock program

First offence - No wait

Second offence - 3 months

Third and subsequent offences - 6 months



Testing

Police officers can require any lawfully-stopped driver to provide a preliminary breath sample, even without **reasonable suspicion that the driver has alcohol in their body**



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