

# Colorado

Colorado's all-offender ignition interlock went into effect on January 1, 2009. As of December 2017, there were 23,801 interlocks installed in Colorado. Between 2006 to 2018, interlocks stopped 110,783 attempts to drive drunk, including 10,938 in 2018.

**Why MADD calls the law all-offender? We call it all-offender as in order for a first-time offender to drive legally from the 31st day to the end of nine months of a license revocation he or she must install an interlock.**

## Ignition Interlock Law Overview and MADD Legislative Recommendations

How soon can an ignition interlock be installed?		Duration on ignition interlock	Legislative Recommendation
First offense	30 days after revocation	At least 8 months	<i>Eliminate the waiting period to install an interlock and allow for the use of an interlock upon revocation for any drunk driver.</i>
Second offense	30 days after revocation	2 years	
First refusal	2 months after revocation	2 years	

### Compliance Based Removal?

**Yes**

A person can exit the program if the interlock reports show that for four consecutive months, the person did not interrupt or prevent the normal operation of the motor vehicle due to an excessive BAC or did not detect that there has been tampering with the device, there have been no other reports of circumvention or tampering, and there are no grounds to extend the restriction.

### Day-for-Day Credit for early installation?

**No**

#### Legislative Recommendation

*Allow for the use of ignition interlock after arrest and credit early installation of an interlock toward time ordered on an interlock upon conviction.*

### Do plea agreements or reductions in the original DUI charge include the requirement of an interlock?

**No**

#### Legislative Recommendation

*Allow a first-time apprehended drunk driver who did not cause an injury or property damage crash, and successfully completes six continuous months on an ignition interlock and completes other court or department conditions to be granted a plea deal.*

### Indigent Program?

**Yes**

The DMV oversees the program funded from the fees paid for by first-time convicted drunk drivers. If a person qualifies for assistance and funds are available, DMV may pay for a portion of the interlock cost. A person must show their Federal Adjusted Gross Income (FAGI) on the State of Colorado tax file falls within a predetermined percentage of the current year Poverty Guidelines established by Health and Human Services.

### Interlock user fees (not including leasing costs of the device)

**Yes**

Must pay \$95 application fee to the DMV.