

## Alberta Administrative Licence Suspension

**Note: Refusal to provide a breath sample continues to result in a charge under the *Criminal Code* (Canada) and an immediate suspension, which will remain in effect until all impaired related criminal charges are resolved.**

An Administrative Licence Suspension may be issued to a driver charged under the *Criminal Code* for:

- Blood alcohol content greater than .08
- Ability to operate a motor vehicle is impaired by alcohol, drugs or a combination
- Refusal to comply with a lawful demand of a peace officer (e.g., for a breath sample)

	Previously	Effective July 1, 2012
1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Criminal Code</i> conviction within 10 years	<p><b>Licence suspension:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immediate 24 hour suspension followed by</li> <li>• 21 day grace period followed by</li> <li>• 90 day licence suspension</li> </ul> <p><b>Vehicle seizure:</b> no seizure</p> <p><b>Appeal:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Remedial course:</b> See note below</p> <p><b>Board<sup>1</sup> hearing:</b> Optional</p> <p><b>Costs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application for Board<sup>1</sup> hearing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Licence suspension:</b> Immediate licence suspension, which remains in place until the criminal charge is resolved</p> <p><b>Vehicle seizure:</b> 3 days</p> <p><b>Appeal:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Remedial course:</b> Planning Ahead</p> <p><b>Board<sup>1</sup> hearing:</b> Optional</p> <p><b>Costs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application for Board<sup>1</sup> hearing</li> <li>• Towing and impound charges</li> </ul>
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Criminal Code</i> conviction within 10 years	<p><b>Licence suspension:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immediate 24 hour suspension followed by</li> <li>• 21 day grace period followed by</li> <li>• 90 day licence suspension</li> </ul> <p><b>Vehicle seizure:</b> no seizure</p> <p><b>Appeal:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Remedial course:</b> See note below</p> <p><b>Board<sup>1</sup> hearing:</b> Optional</p> <p><b>Costs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application for Board<sup>1</sup> hearing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Licence suspension:</b> Immediate licence suspension, which remains in place until the criminal charge is resolved</p> <p><b>Vehicle seizure:</b> 7 days</p> <p><b>Appeal:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Remedial course:</b> IMPACT, may include assessment and monitoring</p> <p><b>Board<sup>1</sup> hearing:</b> Optional</p> <p><b>Costs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application for Board<sup>1</sup> hearing</li> <li>• Towing and impound charges</li> </ul>
3 <sup>rd</sup> / subsequent <i>Criminal Code</i> conviction within 10 years	<p><b>Licence suspension:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immediate 24 hour suspension followed by</li> <li>• 21 day grace period followed by</li> <li>• 90 day licence suspension</li> </ul> <p><b>Vehicle seizure:</b> no seizure</p> <p><b>Appeal:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Remedial course:</b> See note below</p> <p><b>Board<sup>1</sup> hearing:</b> Optional</p> <p><b>Costs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application for Board<sup>1</sup> hearing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Licence suspension:</b> Immediate licence suspension, which remains in place until the criminal charge is resolved</p> <p><b>Vehicle seizure:</b> 7 days</p> <p><b>Appeal:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Remedial course:</b> IMPACT or Assessment and Monitoring</p> <p><b>Board<sup>1</sup> hearing:</b> Optional</p> <p><b>Costs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application for Board<sup>1</sup> hearing</li> <li>• Towing and impound charges</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> Board = Alberta Transportation Safety Board

Note: The sanctions noted above are for the Alberta Administrative Licence Suspension program and do not consider consequences for drivers *convicted* of an impaired driving offence under the *Criminal Code* (Canada). Also, some additional conditions and costs may apply prior to post-suspension licence reinstatement, including remedial courses such as Planning Ahead and IMPACT.

Visit <http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/IIP.htm> and [Alberta Transportation's webpage](#) for more information on the Mandatory Ignition Interlock Program.