

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What happens if I drive my vehicle without a BAIID?

This is a new criminal offense and would result in new charges.

What if I own/drive multiple vehicles?

The law requires a BAIID be installed on all vehicles you drive.

What if the vehicle is not registered to me?

If you drive the vehicle, a device must be installed, regardless of who is listed on the registration.

Another person sometimes drives my vehicle. Will they have to blow into the BAIID to operate my vehicle?

Yes. However, you will be held responsible for all violations recorded by the device.

Do I have to have a BAIID installed on my work vehicle?

You must contact the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles to request an employer exemption.

How long am I required to be on the program?

1st offense DUI BAC .15 or greater: minimum of six months.

2nd offense DUI: minimum of two years.

3rd offense DUI: minimum of three years.

4th or subsequent DUI: lifetime.

Felony DUI with Great Bodily Injury: minimum of three years.

Felony DUI Resulting in Death: minimum of five years.

Who pays for the BAIID?

The driver will bear all costs of the BAIID.

Can mouthwash or foods cause a failed BrAC?

If you consume or use a product that contains alcohol, you may have a failed BrAC. The device does not distinguish between mouthwash or alcoholic beverages. Alcohol is alcohol.

Where do I go to have the BAIID installed?

There are three manufacturers in South Carolina with service center providers located throughout the state. See manufacturer contact information on the back of this brochure for appointments.

Is there financial assistance available?

Yes, you can find the application and instructions on the website or call the IID Program office.

CONTACT Us

You may contact the IID Program at:

E-mail: ignition@ppp.sc.gov

Phone: (803) 734-0019

You may also visit the SCDPPPS website:

www.dppps.sc.gov/Ignition-Interlock

MANUFACTURER INFORMATION

A1 Smart Start 1-800-880-3394

Guardian 1-800-499-0994

Intoxalock 1-833-234-6036

LifeSafer 1-888-861-1172

TREATMENT SERVICES

For a list of certified treatment providers, visit the

South Carolina Department of Alcohol and

Other Drug Abuse Services' website:

www.daodas.sc.gov

DRIVER'S LICENSE INFORMATION

For information pertaining to your license

contact the South Carolina Department of

Motor Vehicles:

(803) 896-5000



South Carolina Department of
Probation, Parole and Pardon Services

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IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE PROGRAM



UNDERSTANDING THE IID PROGRAM

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT
OF PROBATION, PAROLE AND
PARDON SERVICES

What is A Breath Alcohol

- ◆ The Breath Alcohol Ignition Interlock Device (BAIID) is a device that prevents a vehicle from starting if it detects a breath alcohol concentration (BrAC) at or above a preset limit.
- ◆ In South Carolina, if the BrAC of the driver is at or above the .020% level, the vehicle will not start.
- ◆ The BAIID is installed in the vehicle by a certified manufacturer and is connected to the engine's ignition system.
- ◆ The driver must blow air into the device before the vehicle will start, and must periodically blow while the vehicle is in operation.
- ◆ If the BrAC is at or above the .020% level while the vehicle is in motion, a violation will be recorded.



Who is Required to Have A BAIID Installed?

Any South Carolina resident convicted of a DUI first with a BAC of .15% or greater or a second or subsequent Driving Under the Influence (DUI) offense is required to have a device installed if they want to drive. Drivers with an offense date between January 1, 2008 and September 30, 2014 who decide not to install a device will remain suspended for an additional three years. Drivers with an offense date on or after October 1, 2014 who decide not to install a device will remain suspended indefinitely. A person who opts into the program will be required to complete it, regardless of offense date.



How Do I Obtain A BAIID?

STEP 1: ELIGIBILITY

You will receive a letter from the South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services advising that you are eligible for the Ignition Interlock Device Program (IID Program), and may have the device installed. Prior to installing the BAIID, you must enroll in the Alcohol and Drug Safety Action Program (ADSAP). Only install the BAIID if you are seeking an Ignition Interlock (II) Restricted License.

STEP 2: INSTALLATION OF THE BAIID

You are encouraged to contact all four manufacturers listed on the back of this brochure. When you have selected an approved BAIID manufacturer, have the device installed in your vehicle at one of the service center providers. You will be required to return to the service center provider every 60 days to have the device recalibrated and data downloaded.



STEP 3: OBTAINING YOUR IGNITION INTERLOCK (II) RESTRICTED LICENSE

Once you have the device installed in your vehicle, a licensed driver must drive your vehicle to your local SCDMV. You must take the installation verification to obtain your "II" Restricted License. You may only drive a vehicle which has the device installed. Your program does not begin until your "II" Restricted License is issued.

Violations of the IID Program

The IID Program will assess points to drivers who violate the program rules. The points may be assessed for the following violations:

Failure to report to service center provider every 60 days for calibration	1 point each occurrence
Failure to provide a completed running re-test	1 point each occurrence
Violation of running retest with BrAC of .02% or less than .04%	1/2 point each occurrence
Violation of running retest with BrAC of .04% to less than .15%	1 point each occurrence
Violation of running retest with BrAC of .15% or greater	2 points each occurrence
Tampering violations or having another engage the device for the restricted driver	1.5 point each occurrence

CONSEQUENCES OF A VIOLATION:

Points are cumulative.
 2 - 2.5 points = 2 month extension on program
 3 - 3.5 points = substance abuse assessment/treatment and 4 month extension
 4 points or greater = driver's license (DL) suspended 6 months and must complete substance abuse treatment

Appeals

You have the right to appeal all assessed points. When accumulated points are at or below 3.5 accumulated points, appeals may be submitted to the IID Program. At or above 4.0 accumulated points, you will be notified of your right to request a contested case hearing with the Office of Motor Vehicles.