

# STAY ALIVE

GET TO KNOW THE

# FATAL

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**DON'T  
DRINK  
AND DRIVE**



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**KILL  
YOUR  
SPEED**



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**DON'T  
GET  
CARELESS**



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**BELT  
UP**



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**SWITCH  
IT OFF**



Originally developed by North Wales Police, the **FATAL 5** is brought to you by Road Safety Wales to increase awareness of the 5 main causes of road traffic collisions and injuries in Wales.

# THE **FATAL 5** EXPLAINED...

**NEW DRIVERS**  
GET **6 OR MORE PENALTY**  
POINTS WITHIN **2 YEARS**  
OF PASSING YOUR TEST &  
LOSE YOUR LICENCE



**WHILST DRIVING "UNDER THE INFLUENCE" YOU COULD KILL OR SERIOUSLY INJURE YOURSELF OR OTHERS.**



The UK drink-drive limit is...

**35** microgrammes of alcohol per 100ml of breath



milligrammes of alcohol per 100ml of blood

milligrammes of alcohol per 100ml of urine



If you choose to drive under the influence of drink or drugs you risk being one of the 100,000 drink or drug drivers caught every year, who face a minimum 12 month ban, a large fine, a criminal record and even imprisonment.

Be aware that many prescription or over the counter medicines can also impair your ability to drive. If you're taking these, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or healthcare professional before driving.

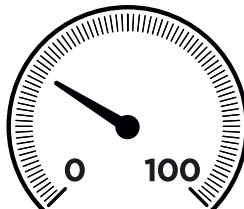


**KILL YOUR SPEED. YOU'RE TWICE AS LIKELY TO KILL SOMEONE YOU HIT AT 35MPH THAN YOU ARE AT 30MPH.**

Know the speed limits, look for signs. Speeding will not get you there any quicker and it substantially increases the risk of a fatal collision.

A 1mph cut in average speed can reduce the collision rate by 5%.

A Fixed Penalty will cost you a maximum of £100 and 3 points on your licence. But, if it's referred to Court, the fine could increase to £1000, or £2500 for a motorway offence and up to 6 points.



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For more information on the **FATAL 5** contact your Road Safety Officer.

Contact details can be found at [www.roadsafetywales.org.uk](http://www.roadsafetywales.org.uk)



## A VEHICLE CAN BECOME A LETHAL WEAPON WHEN DRIVEN CARELESSLY.

At best anti-social, at worst life threatening, careless driving could be:

- Driving too close to the vehicle in front
- Failing to obey traffic signs or road markings
- Overtaking to push into a queue of traffic
- Hogging the middle or outside lanes
- Speeding
- Wheel-spins, handbrake turns and other careless manoeuvres.



A Fixed Penalty will get you a £100 fine and 3 points on your licence. But, cause a death by careless driving, and you could get up to 5 years in prison, and disqualification for at least a year. Cause a death by dangerous driving and you could get up to 14 years in prison, and disqualification for at least 2 years.



## BELT UP, YOU'RE TWICE AS LIKELY TO DIE IF YOU DON'T.

Not wearing a seatbelt can be a fatal decision even on short, familiar journeys and at low speeds.

As a driver you are responsible for ensuring that passengers under the age of 14 are wearing a seatbelt, or using the correct child restraint for their height and age.

The Penalty for not wearing a seatbelt is a £100 on-the-spot fine. If prosecuted, the maximum fine is £500.



## SWITCH OFF BEFORE YOU DRIVE OFF.

You are 4 times more likely to crash if you use a mobile phone while driving. Whatever you're doing with it.

Take your eyes off the road to glance at a screen for just 4.6 seconds at 30mph, and you'll travel 63m (207 ft), or the length of almost 6 double decker buses.

The consequences of using your phone behind the wheel are a £100 fine and 3 points on your licence. And if you cause a death, you could face up to 14 years in prison, and disqualification for a minimum for of 2 years.

No call or text is that important.

