

Don't drink and drive



Festive drink driving campaign launched

The Scottish Government and Road Safety Scotland have told drivers: "The best approach is none."

Justice Secretary Michael Matheson launched the month-long enforcement and awareness campaign in Edinburgh.

And Police Scotland's enforcement campaign will see even more patrols on Scotland's roads.

Last year one in 30 drivers stopped during the festive season was over the legal limit compared with one in 35 motorists over the same period in previous year.

In the eyes of the law it doesn't matter if you're only slightly over the limit, you are still a drunk driver and a criminal. There is no grey area.

Mr Matheson, said: "Unfortunately, there is a persistent minority of drivers who continue to ignore the law.

"These people are not only risking their own lives and licences, but are risking the safety of other road users and pedestrians by drinking and driving.

"This campaign reinforces that drink driving is unacceptable and, if you get caught, you will get a minimum 12-month driving ban, a criminal record for a lengthy period and a substantial fine."

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