

## **What are Ohio's laws about alcohol and riding?**

### **Alcohol and Ohio Law**

Motor Vehicle operators arrested for suspected impaired driving, under Ohio law will:

- Be asked to take a sobriety test. If the test results are .08% blood alcohol concentration (BAC) or above the operator will be charged with DUI.
- Immediately have their license taken away by the arresting law enforcement officer and be immediately placed under license suspension.
- Lose their driver's license for at least 90 days and will be subject to other court penalties.
- Refusal to take the sobriety test will result in automatic loss of driver's license for one full year!

### **Alcohol and Motorcycling**

Alcohol is a major contributor to motorcycle collisions, particularly fatal collisions. Studies show that 40% to 50% of all riders killed in motorcycle crashes had been drinking. Only one-third of those riders had a BAC above legal limits. The rest had only a few drinks in their systems, enough to impair their riding skills. Riding "under the influence" of alcohol poses physical and legal hazards for every rider.

This information was taken from [www.motorcycle.ohio.gov](http://www.motorcycle.ohio.gov) . Please take a minute to visit this website for further information.