

New, amended and updated penalties for road traffic offences

New provisions in the legislations related to road traffic offences will be effective from the 1st of October 2020. The new, amended and updated penalties aim to improve road safety and increase citizens' compliance with the Highway Code of Cyprus.

Detailed information can be found online at:



www.roadsafetycyprus.gov.cy

New penalties

DRIVING

	FINE
Without a third-party insurance	€200
Without an MOT for buses or heavy motor vehicle truck	€300
Without an MOT for driving any other type of vehicle	€150
An immobilized vehicle	€85

DRIVERS UNDER SUPERVISION

In case of driver's license revocation or refusal, the driver is put under supervision for 3 years. During that period stricter penalties and lower limits are applicable for specific offences, i.e. reduced alcohol limits and increased penalties for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and any combination of the two with driving over the speed limit

TOWING OF VEHICLES IN THE FOLLOWING CASES

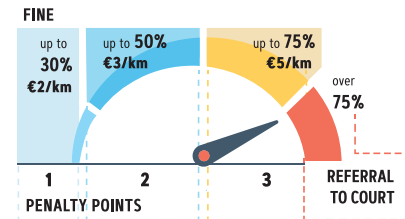
- The vehicle is illegally and/or dangerously parked or abandoned in any street or it is obstructing traffic
- The vehicle's owner cannot be located/contacted or refuses to move it

IMPOUNDING OF VEHICLES IN THE FOLLOWING CASES

- No valid third-party insurance is in place
- Driver is under the influence of alcohol
- Driver refuses to provide breath sample for alcohol test

Increase of existing penalties - indicative

SPEED LIMIT VIOLATION



DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL

BREATH ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION	FINE	PENALTY POINTS
22-35µg / 100ml	€125	1
36-55µg / 100ml	€250	3
56-70µg / 100ml	€500	4
>71µg / 100ml	Referral to Court	

New and professional drivers

BREATH ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION	FINE	PENALTY POINTS
9-22 µg / 100ml	€125	1
23-35µg / 100ml	€250	3
36-55µg / 100ml	€500	4
>56µg / 100ml	Referral to Court	

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ILLICIT DRUGS

- Imprisonment not exceeding 3 years and/or
- Fine not exceeding €8,000 euro or
- Driver's license revocation or refusal for a period not exceeding 3 years

DRIVING WITHOUT A DRIVER'S LICENSE

Driving without a valid driver's license (expired validity) and driving in breach of a condition imposed on by the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles

Fine of €50

RECKLESS DRIVING

Reckless driving	6 months imprisonment and/or fine of €1,500
Reckless driving causing property damage	1 year imprisonment and/or fine of €3,000
Reckless driving causing personal injury	2 years imprisonment and/or fine of €6,000

FLEEING THE SCENE OF A ROAD CRASH

Hit-and-run (death)	Imprisonment for a maximum period of 5 years and/or fine not exceeding €15,000 and driving license revocation for a period not exceeding 2 years from the date of the conviction
Hit-and-run (personal injury)	Imprisonment for a maximum period of 2 years and/or fine not exceeding €10,000 and driving license revocation for a period not exceeding 2 years from the date of the conviction
Hit-and-run (property damage)	Imprisonment for a maximum period of 1 month and/or fine not exceeding €3,000 and driving license revocation for a period not exceeding 2 months from the date of the conviction

ILLEGAL PARKING

	FINE
On a pavement	€100
At reserved spots for the disabled	€300
On the opposite side of the road	€100
On a double yellow line	€100

TRAFFIC LIGHT VIOLATION

€300

OVERTAKING

On a pedestrian crossing	€200
Illegal overtaking	€150

Doubling of penalties

DRIVING	FINE	OFFENCE REPETITION WITHIN 3 YEARS
Without a seatbelt	€150	€300
Without a helmet	€200	€400
Distracted driving (use of mobile phone)	€150	€300
Distracted driving (use of other objects)	€85	-

Extension of payment deadline for fines over €100

Fines over €100 issued for traffic offences must be paid within 30 days from their date of issue or the amount is increased by 50%.

In case of non-payment after a period of 45 days from the date of issue, the person liable will be prosecuted.

