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## If You Are Planning A Night Of Partying, You Should Also Plan A Designated Driver

If you are planning a night of partying you should also plan a designated driver! Driving in Illinois is considered a privilege, not a right.

Being pulled over for [Drinking and Driving](#) is not the same as it was 10 or 20 years ago; in the past you could go to court and it would cost you a few hundred dollars as a fine, court supervision, 30 days of AA meeting attendance and a commitment not to do it again.

Today the consequences are much more severe. The State of Illinois is not taking [Drinking and Driving](#) lightly. The State can revoke your driving privileges if you are pulled over and they ask you to take a breathalyzer test.

- If you blow a .08 or plus into the [breathalyzer](#) at the scene you could lose your driving privileges for 3 months
- If you refuse to blow into the breathalyzer you could lose your license for 6 months
- If you hold a CDL ([Commercial Driver's License](#)) the State of Illinois has a zero tolerance stance and you could lose your license.

You may want to pause if you drive for a living, commute or travel for your career. Loosing your driver's license could put your career in jeopardy. In today's economy employers are not taking it lightly if you are arrested for a DUI; they view it as more than someone who has had a couple of drinks at a party; instead they see a person who is undependable, irresponsible and possibly difficult to insure.

If you are pulled over and issued a ticket for driving drunk, or driving while impaired, it is considered a criminal case. Having a license is a considered a privilege and it could be suspended by the state. If you are pulled over or ticketed, call our office as soon as possible so we can help you fight the [criminal and civil](#) charges and hopefully help you retain your right to drive in Illinois, keep you out of jail and help alleviate the consequences of a [DUI](#) charge.

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