

KANSAS Traffic Safety Resource OFFICE

Kansas' alcohol-related laws:

1. Minor in Possession and/or Consumption

- No person under 21 shall possess, consume, obtain, purchase or attempt to obtain or purchase alcoholic liquor or cereal malt beverages except as authorized by law.
- Fines up to \$500
- Up to 40 hours community service
- 30 days up to a year suspended license.

For more information, refer to [KSA 41-727](#).

2. Fake/Borrowed Identification

It is unlawful to:

- Display or have in possession fictitious or altered driver's license/state I.D.
- Lend any driver's license/state I.D. to any other person
- Reproduce a driver's license/state I.D.

Not abiding by the law can result in fines up to \$1,000 as well as one year in jail. For more information, refer to [KSA 8-260](#).

3. Zero Tolerance for Minors

- It is unlawful to operate or attempt to operate a motor vehicle with a breath or blood alcohol content of .02 or above.
- Driving privileges suspended for up to one year.

For more information refer to [KSA 8-1567a](#). [KDOR Alcohol Actions Chart](#).

4. Furnishing Alcohol to Minors

- Directly or indirectly, selling to, buying for, giving or furnishing any alcoholic liquor or cereal malt beverage to any minor is illegal.
- Fine of \$200

For more information, refer to [KSA 21-5607](#).

5. Hosting Minors

- Unlawfully hosting minors consuming alcoholic liquor or cereal malt beverages at a person's residence, land, building or rented room is illegal.
- Failing to abide by the law can result in a minimum fine of \$1,000 as well as up to one year in jail.

For more information, refer to [KSA 21-5608](#).

6. Preliminary Screening Test

- A law enforcement officer may request a preliminary screening test if the officer has reasonable suspicion to believe the person has been operating or attempting to operate a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs or both alcohol and drugs.

For more information, refer to [KSA 8-1012](#).

7. DUI: First Offense

- Up to six months in jail.
- Community service.
- Driver's license suspended up to one year, plus additional restricted driving
- Substance abuse treatment

For more information, refer to [KSA 8-1567](#). [KDOR Alcohol Actions Chart](#).

8. DUI With Child Under 18 Years of Age

- The punishment for a person over the age of 18 convicted of DUI while transporting a passenger under the age of 18 shall be increased by one month of imprisonment.

For more information, refer to [KSA 8-1567\(c\)](#).

9. Ignition Interlock

- Convicted DUI offenders may be restricted to operating only those vehicles that are equipped with an ignition interlock device. To start the vehicle, the driver must blow into a handset that tests the driver's breath for the presence of alcohol.
- An ignition interlock device will stop drunk driving. When alcohol is detected, the car won't start.
- Driver is required to retest, as long as car is in motion.

For more information, refer to [KSA 8-1014](#) and [KSA 8-1015](#). [KDOR Alcohol Actions Chart](#).

10. Vehicle Impoundment

- State law prohibits the owner of a motor vehicle to allow a person to drive such vehicle when such owner knows or reasonably should have known such person was driving in violation of the restrictions in KSA 8-1014. All offenses may result in impoundment or immobilization of a vehicle for up to one year.

For more information, refer to [KSA 8-1022](#).