



The consequences of using a mobile phone whilst driving

What you need to know

It is an offence to use a mobile phone whilst driving a motor vehicle, even if stationary.

With the ignition on, a driver is deemed to be in control of the vehicle and a fixed penalty, (or summons) may follow.

You can get 6 penalty points and a fine on conviction if you use a hand-held phone whilst driving.

12 or more points in a 3 year period means a ban for a mandatory minimum 6 month period.

Even use of a phone hands free can give rise to prosecution if it causes the driver to be distracted from full concentration on their driving.

What should you do?

Drivers should turn off the phone and put it in the glove box.

Offences can be committed by those 'causing or permitting' use of devices. Employers need to have a clear policy in place on the use of mobile phones and other hand held devices.

Contact Stephen Bennett for help drafting documents or defending those caught transgressing.



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Testimonials

“Stephen Bennett is a man of high integrity”

“Stephen Bennett was amazing, truly brilliant, kind, calm, courteous, reassuring and kept me sane. Can't recommend highly enough.”

“Stephen Bennett ... made a stressful situation as straight forward as it could be, bringing the case to a swift and very satisfactory conclusion. I found Stephen to be very accessible, calming through his authority and expertise and empathetic. He was thorough and patient in explanations of the options available to us, whilst behind the scenes he worked quickly and effectively on our behalf. I would wholeheartedly recommend Stephen for legal representation.”

“I am extremely grateful to Stephen for achieving the best possible result in the case in a calm, professional and wonderfully humane manner.”

“Thank you for your excellent service, we hope that we never need you again! But will be back with the knowledge of your efficiency if it does ever become necessary.”



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