

# Drugged or Drunk Driving A Major Don't!

Operating a vehicle while under the influence of drugs or alcohol is very dangerous and very illegal. Most of us are aware that the legal limit allowed for alcohol in Michigan is .08 Blood Alcohol Content, but for anyone under the age of 21, the limit is ZERO. As little as one drink can be enough to register on an alcohol sobriety test or impair your ability to safely operate a vehicle.

Over the years we have been told the dangers of drinking and driving, but what about driving while high? Contrary to popular belief, being high on marijuana does not make you a better, more careful driver. In fact, marijuana and other substances such as pain relievers, are depressants that slow your body down. Basically, these substances affect your judgement, coordination, vision and slow your reaction time. It is also illegal to operate a vehicle while under the influence of drugs, and violators will face the same, or stricter, punishments as those who are arrested for drunk driving.

Never drive a car or ride with anyone who has been under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Call a cab or another sober ride, and always wear your seatbelt; it's your best defense against a drunk or drugged driver.



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