

Penalties for Criminal Convictions

Under Connecticut's criminal law, a driver arrested for OUI will receive both a summons and a court date. If the court proceedings result in a **conviction**, the following penalties must be imposed by the Department of Motor Vehicles:

Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs, C.G.S §14-227a, §14-227g or §14-111n conviction *on or after January 1, 2012*

	<u>First Conviction</u>	<u>Second Conviction</u>	<u>Third or Subsequent Conviction</u>
OUI convictions after January 1, 2012.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 45 days license suspension. • All other terms of suspensions must be served except 14-227b. • One year IID requirement from restoration date. • If previously convicted of 53a-56b or 53a 60d, it's considered the 2nd offense. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 45 days license suspension or until 21st birthday, whichever is longer. • All other terms of suspensions must be served except 14-227b. • Three years IID requirement from restoration date. • If you were convicted on or after July 1, 2012, you will be restricted to drive to and from work or school, an alcohol or drug abuse treatment program, probation appointments or an ignition interlock device service center for the first year. (You must carry the appropriate schedule at all times.) 	<p style="text-align: center;">Permanent Revocation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">May request a hearing after at least 2 years after date of revocation.</p>

Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs, C.G.S. §14-227a, §14-227g or §14-111n conviction prior to January 1, 2012

	<u>First Conviction</u>	<u>Second Conviction</u>	<u>Third or Subsequent Conviction</u>
Under 21 years old for OUI convictions prior to January 1, 2012	1 year license suspension.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 years license suspension or until 21st birthday, whichever is longer. • Two years IID requirement from restoration date. 	Permanent Revocation. May request a hearing after at least 2 years after date of revocation.
21 and older for OUI convictions prior to January 1, 2012.	1 year license suspension.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 year license suspension. • Two years IID requirement from restoration date. 	Permanent Revocation. May request a hearing after at least 2 years after date of revocation.

You may petition, in writing, to the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles for the option to participate in the IID program. After serving more than 45 days of your suspension but less than one year under C.G.S 14-227a, 14-227g and 14-111n, you will be required to have an IID for the remainder of the suspension on a first conviction or for a second conviction, the remainder of your suspension plus an additional two years.

Vehicular Manslaughter, C.G.S. §53a-56b or Vehicular Assault, C.G.S. §53a-60d

	First Conviction	Second or subsequent Conviction
Vehicular Manslaughter conviction	1 year license suspension. Two years IID requirement from restoration date.	1 year license suspension. Two years IID requirement from restoration date.
Vehicle Assault conviction	1 year license suspension. Two years IID requirement from restoration date.	1 year license suspension. Two years IID requirement from restoration date.

C.G.S. §14-227a, Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs

1st OUI conviction on or after January 1, 2012

The Commissioner shall suspend a person's motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating privilege for a conviction of C.G.S. §14-227a, §14-227g or §14-111n for a period of forty-five days. As a condition of restoration, you may not operate a motor vehicle unless it is equipped with a functioning, approved ignition interlock device for a one-year period following restoration. The ignition interlock device must be installed in each motor vehicle owned or operated by you.

2nd OUI conviction on or after January 1, 2012

The Commissioner shall suspend a person's motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating privilege for a conviction of C.G.S. §14-227a, §14-227g or reports of comparable convictions, §14-111n within ten years after a prior conviction for a period of forty-five days. If the person is under twenty-one years of age at the time of the offense, their motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating privilege shall be suspended for forty-five days or until the date of such person's twenty-first birthday, whichever is longer. As a condition of restoration, you may not operate a motor vehicle unless it is equipped with a functioning, approved ignition interlock device for a three-year period following restoration. The ignition interlock device must be installed in each motor vehicle owned or operated by you.

3rd or subsequent OUI conviction on or after January 1, 2012

The Commissioner shall permanently revoke a person's motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating privilege for conviction of a third and subsequent violation of Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs, C.G.S §14-227a, §14-227g or reports of comparable convictions, §14-111n within ten years after a prior conviction for the same offense.