

# THE FATAL FOUR



Drink & Drugs    Mobile Phones    Speeding    NO Seatbelts

## CAUSE AND EFFECT

### Supplement No. 8

#### Driving Offences and Maximum Penalties

Driving Offence	Prison	Fine	Driving Ban	Penalty Points
Causing death by dangerous driving*	14 yrs	Unlimited	Obligatory. Min 2 years compulsory re-test.	3-11**
Dangerous driving*	2 yrs	Unlimited	Obligatory. Min 1 year. Compulsory re-test.	3-11**
Causing death by careless driving under the influence of drink or drugs	14 yrs	Unlimited	Obligatory Min 2 years	3-11**
Careless driving, inconsiderate driving, driving without due care and attention	N/A	£5,000	Discretionary	3-9
Driving while unfit through drink or drugs or with excess alcohol; or failing to provide a specimen for analysis	6 mths	£5,000	Obligatory	3-11**
Failing to stop after an accident or failing to report an accident	6 mths	£5,000	Discretionary	5-10
Driving when disqualified	6 mths	£5,000	Discretionary	6
Driving after refusal or revocation of licence on medical grounds	6 mths	£5,000	Discretionary	3-6
Driving without insurance	N/A	£5,000 FPN:£200	Discretionary	6-8 FPN: 6
Driving otherwise than in accordance with a licence	N/A	£1,000	Discretionary	3-6
Speeding	N/A	£1,000 £2,500† FPN: £100	Discretionary	3-6 FPN: 3

Traffic light offences	N/A	£1,000 FPN: £60	Discretionary	3
No MOT Certificate	N/A	£1,000 FPN: £30		
Seat belt offences	N/A	£500 FPN: £100		
Dangerous cycling	N/A	£2,500		
Careless cycling	N/A	£1,000		
Cycling on pavement	N/A	£500		
Failing to identify driver of vehicle	N/A	£1,000	Discretionary	6
Use of hand-held mobile phone whilst in charge of a vehicle	N/A	£1,000 £2,500†† FPN: £100		3

\* Where a court disqualifies a person on conviction for one of these offences, it must order an extended re-test. The courts also have discretion to order a re-test for any other offence which carries penalty points: an extended re-test where disqualification is obligatory and an ordinary test where disqualification is not obligatory.

\*\* If exceptionally not disqualified.

† Motorway.

†† If driving a bus, coach or heavy goods vehicle.

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