Drink driving in Norway – Latest updates on alcolocks

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Alcohol Interlocks and political engagement

- In Norway use of alcohol interlock in commercial transport has developed on a voluntarily basis

- public tenders at regional level – increased use alcohol interlocks for public transportation

- In order to accelerate the implementation the Norwegian Parliament has taken action
Public transportation

- In 2015 Proposal from representative of the Parliament
- Mandatory alcohol interlock use in public transportation
Preparatory work for national alcohol interlock legislation

- The transition from voluntarily use of alcohol interlock to mandatory legislation creates new challenges
- A system for approvals, supervision and sanctions
- A question of the extent of necessary regulations and supervision
Installation challenges in new vehicle models

- Alcolock is an after-market product

- Complex electronics makes retrofit installation challenging in personal vehicles (M1)

- Without support from vehicle producers the Installation is based on trial and error

- The ongoing CENELEC standardisation work and further legislation work in the EU will be important to solving these challenges.
Recommandations from the NPRA

- Gradual implementation
- CENELEC–standard
- Temporary exemption for M1
- Specialized workshops and installers
- Supervision with specialized workshops
- Roadside inspections
Current status and tentative timeline

- The NPRA will send its report on an official hearing in January 2017 for a public consultation.

- After the public consultation a proposal for a bill to mandate alcolocks for public transport will be made.

- We plan to have the necessary legislation and technical regulations in place and into force by January 2018
Thank you for your attention!

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