



Separating Drinking & Driving

Information & Facts

South Australia introduced the Alcohol Interlock Scheme in July 2001. This commenced as a Voluntary Scheme where drivers convicted of relevant drink driving offences could apply for an Interlock license after completing half their disqualification period.

A Mandatory Interlock Scheme was introduced in May 2009. This requires that an alcohol interlock is fitted for a period specified by the court. The interlock will prevent the vehicle from being started if the driver cannot pass the breath test.

The Alcohol Interlock Program allows drivers to regain their un-restricted license after successful completion of the interlock period.

The voluntary and mandatory schemes will run in parallel until May 2014 to allow for drivers who would have been eligible prior to 1 May 2009.

About Guardian

Guardian Interlock Systems has been a provider of Interlock program management devices and services since 2001 and is a trusted, Australian, family owned business.

An alcohol interlock program protects drink driving offenders and other road users from dangers associated with drink driving.

Guardian also offers private and commercial products for people looking at taking precautionary measures for drinking and driving, OH&S and workplace safety. For further details visit our website:

www.guardianinterlock.com.au

About Our Service Centres

Auto-electrical businesses throughout South Australia have been sub-contracted to provide all aspects of inspection, installation, training, monitoring and removal, using their established technical skills.

The normal practice is for dealers to conduct a free inspection of the nominated vehicle to ensure that it will be able to support the interlock. The vehicle is then wired and the interlock installed, while the participant is trained on the program and how to use the interlock.

Service will be provided at the same cost for country participants, however there may be variation in the delivery of service depending on location. Our dealer network extends throughout Australia, so you'll never be far away from service if required.

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Edinburgh Nth SA 5113

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252 Brighton Road

Somerton Park SA 5044

Tel: (08) 8376 0899

Adam's Auto Centre

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Tel: (08) 8387 6142

Port Adelaide Auto Repairs

Port Adelaide SA 5015

Tel: (08) 8341 2820

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Cary Jennings Auto Electrical

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Tel: (08) 8723 0311

Clare Valley Auto Electrical

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GP Auto Electrical

Port Augusta SA 5700

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Port Lincoln SA 5606

Tel: (08) 8683 0870

Strathalbyn Auto Electrical

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Waikerie SA 5330

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Whyalla Battery Electrics

Whyalla SA 5600

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For further information on centres due to open, please contact Guardian on:

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TEN MOST ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE MANDATORY ALCOHOL INTERLOCK SCHEME

1. What is an Interlock System?

The Interlock System is a device that stops the driver from starting their vehicle when they have a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) at or higher than 0.02%.

2. How does the Interlock work?

When the Interlock device is fitted to a vehicle, the driver must blow and hum into the Interlock handset before being able to start the vehicle. After the Interlock has received a breath sample, it will be analysed and the message "Start Vehicle" will appear on the screen if the result was under 0.02%BAC. The driver can simply start the vehicle and drive away.

After a random period of time, the interlock will indicate to the driver that they need to pull over and retest. There is no need to turn the vehicle off. The driver must give another breath sample and if passed, the driver may then continue on their way.

3. What happens after the interlock is installed?

Approximately thirty days after installation the vehicle will have to be returned and the interlock monitored and reset for the next month. This involves making an appointment to have your interlock serviced at an authorised Guardian service centre.

You will receive a report (at no cost) showing how your program is running and any events that have been recorded.



4. How long does the Interlock take to have installed?

The Interlock will take around 2 hrs to install into a standard vehicle. Followed by a further hour of training and consultation, covering the use of the interlock. Where additional time is required for installation or training, extra fees may apply.

5. When can I have the Interlock fitted to a vehicle?

After you have completed the suspension period, DTEI will contact you about when you are eligible to have an interlock fitted. Usually the interlock can be fitted within 3 days of request. Contact the service centre to make a booking.

6. What will I need to bring with me on the day?

You will need your authorisation (original copy), driver's license, concession card (if applicable - conditions apply for concession availability) and motor vehicle.

7. Can anyone drive the vehicle after an Interlock device has been fitted?

Yes, anyone can drive the vehicle. Just be aware that you will still be responsible for what is on your log.

8. What type of vehicles can I have the Interlock System fitted to?

You can have the Guardian Interlock fitted to any registered vehicle, including cars, trucks, and motorbikes.

While you have an 'I' condition license, any vehicle you drive is required to have an approved interlock fitted.

9. What does it cost to have the Interlock System installed and monitored ?

Your first appointment for installation into a standard vehicle will cost approximately \$300 which includes installation and the first month's lease fees. The ongoing lease charges are \$150 per month. A Loss Protection option to limit liability is available at a small additional cost per month.

The Guardian Interlock System costs about \$4.60 per day - about the price of a drink!

There may be a concession available for the scheme; contact Guardian for eligibility information.

Some additional fees may apply for early servicing and missed appointments.

10. What is the difference between the Guardian and an alternate brand?

We work hard to provide a personalised service designed to make your period on the interlock as easy as possible, consistent with the interlock program rules.

We supply a free progress report at monitoring

Clients can have their interlock monitored at any of our service centres.

We have service centres & agents set up all around Australia!

We provide a 24 hr emergency service help line, so if you are having difficulties, you will be able to talk to a person to receive help and advice.

Our friendly staff are just a phone call away, should clients have any follow up enquiries!

COMMUNITY SPIRIT

In good community spirit, Guardian assists long term clients by offering a free installation (standard vehicle) OR one 30 day month monitoring fee. Contact Guardian for eligibility details.

Although we have a no credit policy, Guardian can make payment arrangements where clients are experiencing genuine hardship.



**PLEASE REMEMBER,
IF UNSURE DON'T
RISK IT - DO NOT
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