About Our Service Centres

Various automotive businesses at city and regional locations have been sub-contracted as Guardian Service Centres to provide all aspects of interlock scheme services to participants using their established technical skills. Our dealer network extends throughout Australia, so you'll never be far from assistance if required. As interlock programs expand, new service centres are established. Participants should check www.guardianinterlock.com.au for updated information on centres, or call Guardian on 1300 881 005.

Metro:

Clisby Auto Electrical
Nailsworth (08) 8344 5409

Direct Automotive Repairs
Lonsdale (08) 8387 6011

Port Adelaide Auto Repairs
Port Adelaide (08) 8341 2820

Regional:

Andrew Henderson
Kingscote 0427 596 073

Cary Jennings
Mt Gambier (08) 8723 0311

Clare Valley
Clare Valley (08) 8842 3805

GP Auto Electrical
Pt Augusta (08) 8641 2500

Sparks & Spanners
Port Lincoln (08) 8683 0870

Tarc-Air Conditioning and Auto Electrical
Mount Barker 0401 878 987

Whyalla Battery Electrics
Whyalla (08) 8645 8566

Information & Facts

South Australia introduced the Mandatory Interlock Scheme 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 Scheme allows drivers to regain their un-restricted license after successful completion of the interlock period. Participants need to have no violations in the final 3 months in order to complete the program and remove the interlock.

Do not use the interlock as a breath tester because everything is logged and could cause an extension to your interlock period.

For further information visit the following website:

https://www.dit.sa.gov.au/towardszerotogether/Safer_behaviours/alcohol_drink_driving2/mandatory_interlock_scheme_faqs

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Australian Standard
AS3547
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1. What is an interlock ?

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 head unit before being able to start the vehicle. After the interlock has received a breath sample, it will be analysed and the message “Start” 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 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?

30 days after installation the vehicle has to be returned for the interlock to be downloaded and the next service appointment set. This servicing involves payment of fees for the next period. A summary report will be provided (at no cost) showing how your program is running and events that have been recorded.

4. How long does it take to install?

A standard vehicle takes around 2 hours for installation and training. Where additional time is required for installation or training, the situation will be explained and extra fees may apply.

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

You will need your issued VNF Certificate, I condition driver’s license, concession card (if applicable, conditions apply for concession availability) and motor vehicle.

6. Is it expensive?

Initially you need to pay for the installation and the first month’s lease fee for the interlock which is leased on a monthly basis. You have to have the interlock serviced monthly. The overall cost will be determined by the vehicle type (standard or non-standard installation), and length of your program. For each ongoing interlock service you pay a Lease Fee. You also have a Loss Protection Plan option, which reduces your liability if the equipment is stolen. Talk to Guardian about these aspects.

7. How do I complete the program?

Participants have to demonstrate that they can separate drinking and driving over a 6 month period before they will be eligible to hold a licence without an interlock condition. For further information visit https://www.dit.sa.gov.au/towardszerotogether/Safer_behaviours/alcohol_drink_driving2/mandatory_interlock_scheme_faqs

Don’t be afraid to ask for help if you are having difficulties.

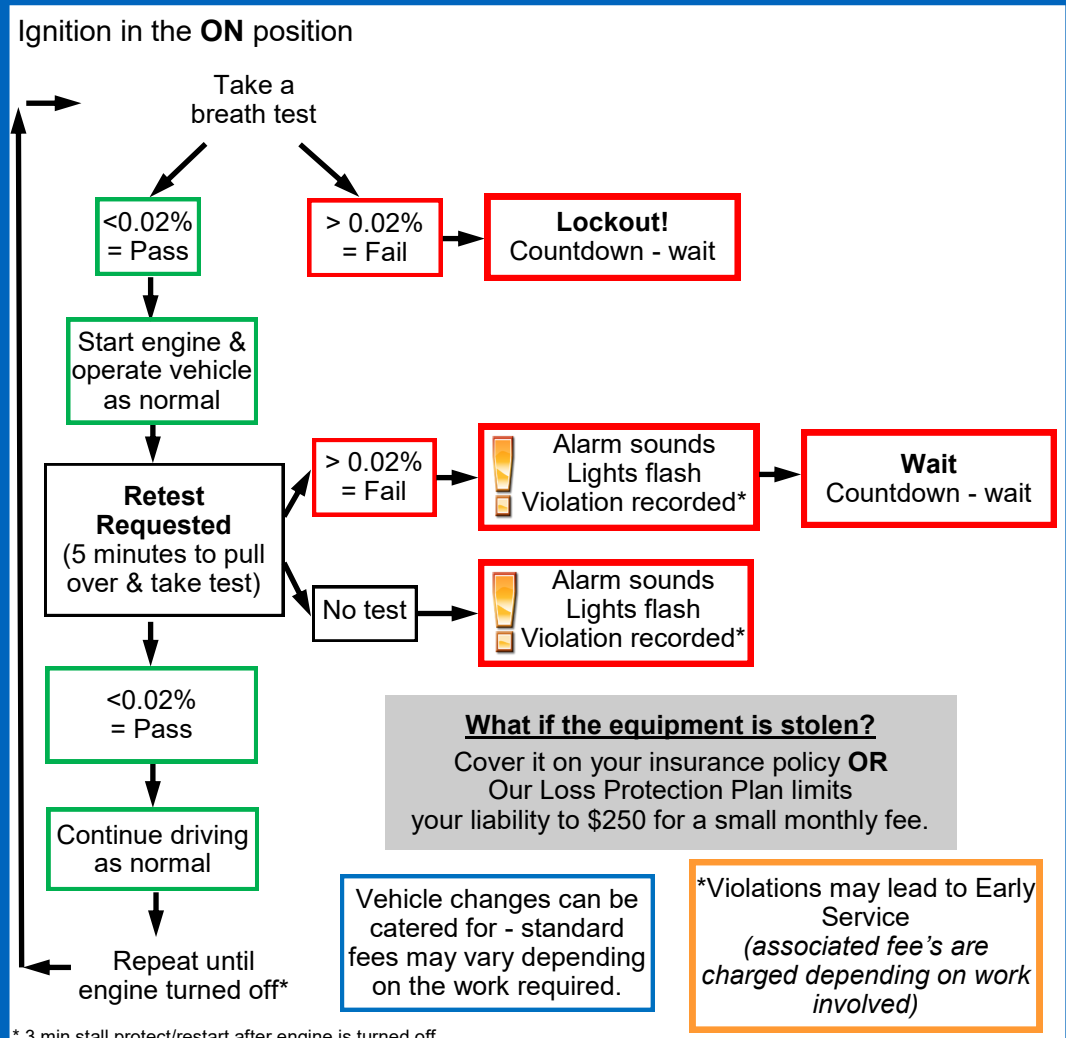
Guardian is proud to be an active member in the community, supporting many charities each year and providing information on pro-active measures to implement work safety and avoid drink driving.

8. Can anyone drive the vehicle after an interlock device has been fitted?

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

9. Why should you choose Guardian ?

We are an Australian, family owned business. Guardian customers can have their interlock monitored anywhere in Australia at the same cost. They do not need to return to the original installer. We provide a 24hr emergency service help line, so if you are having difficulties, you will be able to talk to someone and receive help and technical advice!

Our friendly staff are just a phone call away for any enquiries!

How does the interlock system work in my car?