

Jackson State University
Interdisciplinary Alcohol & Drug Studies Center

Don't Drive High.

Your life can change
in an instant:



With the medical cannabis program now in place, it is important for the public to understand that using marijuana – even legally – does not make it lawful to drive while impaired. DUI laws apply to marijuana and other drugs.



Officials say some drivers mistakenly believe DUI laws only apply to alcohol or that there must be a specific THC level, similar to the 0.08% blood alcohol concentration standard.



However, Mississippi law does not require a set THC level. A person is considered "under the influence" if a substance affects their normal ability for clarity, judgment, or control while driving.

Drugs impair your:

Balance and Coordination



Motor skills

Judgement



Reaction time



Attention

Decision-making skills



In marijuana-related DUI cases, impairment is often determined based on the "totality of the circumstances."

Evidence used in these cases may include:

- Driving behavior observed by law enforcement
- Physical indicators such as bloodshot eyes, slowed reactions, or balance issues
- Statements made by the driver
- Field sobriety test results
- The odor or presence of marijuana
- Toxicology testing, when available



#DontDriveHigh



Use public transit



Use a designated driver



Call someone for a ride



Cab or ride-share



Stay over

TIPS FOR PREVENTING IMPAIRED DRIVING

If you intend to drive, the safest option is not to use cannabis. Take these steps to help prevent impaired driving if you plan to use, are using or have used cannabis:

- Remain home when you consume cannabis, or plan to stay where you are using for a few hours or overnight.
- Make a plan to get a ride home from someone who has not been drinking alcohol and/or using drugs.
- Decide not to drive and remind your friends and family to do the same if they have consumed cannabis.
- Choose a trusted designated driver who will not use cannabis when you are going out with a group of people you know.
- Use a rideshare service, call a taxi or use another form of public transportation.



Driving High IS Impaired Driving: Don't drive high. Get a ride.

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IF YOU FEEL DIFFERENT
YOU DRIVE DIFFERENT
DRIVE HIGH GET A DUI