



Recommendations: Intoxicating Hemp Products

The mission of the Texas Impaired Driving Task Force is to eliminate injury and death caused by impaired driving in Texas through the identification and strategic distribution of partner resources to critical areas. The task force membership has identified that intoxicating hemp products, containing THC, pose a significant risk to traffic safety. On behalf of communities throughout Texas, we offer these recommendations to improve roadway safety for all Texans.

Policy Recommendations

- Co-mingling substances at on-premise consumption establishments should be prohibited.
 - “Several studies point to the additive effects that result when alcohol and cannabis are used simultaneously. This behaviour has been shown to have harmful effects on cognitive and psychomotor performance, impair driving performance and significantly increase the risks of collision and odds of impaired driving.”¹
- Improve data collection at the scene in suspected impaired driving crashes.
- As resources allow, continue to increase full drug toxicology testing for cases where a BAC is initially identified over a defined threshold.

1. Public Health Ontario. (2018). *Risk factors for alcohol- and cannabis-related harms*.
<https://www.publichealthontario.ca/-/media/documents/e/2018/eb-risk-factors-alcohol-cannabis.pdf>