Michigan DUI Lawyer Paul J. Tafelski Explains When an Ignition Interlock Device is Required in Michigan

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Michigan DUI lawyer Paul J. Tafelski (https://www.michigandefenselaw.com/ignition-interlock-devices.html) releases a new article explaining when an ignition interlock device is required in Michigan. The lawyer explains that an ignition interlock is an electronic device installed on a person?s car to prevent it from starting unless the driver takes a breath test. The breath alcohol content (BAC) must be below 0.025 and lower for the car to start.

?You may be required to install an ignition interlock device on your vehicle in Michigan after a conviction for a DUI offense. This can be expensive and burdensome and can lead to further actions against you because of false-positive readings. To avoid these consequences, it is best to contact an experienced Michigan ignition interlock lawyer to help you minimize or avoid problems with ignition interlock devices and with alleged violations that occur while using such devices,? the Michigan DUI lawyer says.

The lawyer explains that an ignition interlock device may be required for those who are habitual OWI offenders. If a person has had two or more convictions for OWI within the past seven years or three or more convictions within the past 10 years, they will be classified as habitual offenders. In such a case, their license will be revoked and they will be able to appeal for a certain period of time. Then, they will be required to install Breath Alcohol Ignition Interlock Device (BAIID) on their vehicle and drive with the device until they are authorized to remove it.

Attorney Paul Tafelski says that a high BAC, even though it?s the driver?s first OWI offense, can also result in being required to install a BAIID. If the driver is caught operating a vehicle with a BAC of 0.17 or higher, they will be subject to a one-year license suspension. However, they may also be able to obtain a restricted license after 45 days, on the condition that they will install an ignition interlock device on all their vehicles.

In the article, the lawyer adds, ?You may be eligible to remove your BAIID removed one year from the date of

your original license suspension, as long as no violations have occurred over the course of the year. You may not remove the device until the secretary of the state authorizes you to.?

Lastly, the lawyer emphasizes the importance of having a skilled DWI lawyer when facing a DWI or DUI charge. An experienced lawyer may be able to help the defendant understand their rights and protect their freedom.

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