



## **DUI Law Firm Denver Addresses Rising Enforcement During Winter Tourism Season**

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DUI Law Firm Denver reports increased demand for legal defense services as Colorado ski resorts experience heightened DUI enforcement during the peak winter tourism months. The firm notes that arrests traditionally spike between December and March when millions of visitors travel to Colorado's mountain communities.

Colorado State Patrol data indicates DUI arrests along Interstate 70 and mountain corridors increase during ski season compared to other months. The combination of altitude effects, unfamiliarity with mountain driving conditions, and après-ski activities creates unique challenges for both residents and visitors navigating Colorado's impaired driving laws.

"Winter tourism brings specific legal complexities that many drivers don't anticipate," stated Emilio De Simone, managing attorney at DUI Law Firm Denver. "Altitude can intensify alcohol effects, making individuals feel impaired at lower blood alcohol levels than they would experience at sea level. Additionally,

prescription medications for altitude sickness can interact with alcohol in ways that lead to unexpected impairment."

The firm has observed particular challenges facing out-of-state visitors who may not understand Colorado's strict DUI enforcement policies. Colorado's Express Consent law requires drivers to submit to chemical testing when lawfully arrested for DUI, with refusal resulting in automatic license revocation and designation as a persistent drunk driver. These consequences apply regardless of the driver's home state.

DUI Law Firm Denver Attorney professionals note that marijuana-related DUI cases have added another layer of complexity to winter tourism enforcement. With recreational cannabis legal in Colorado but not in many visitors' home states, tourists often lack awareness about marijuana DUI laws and the five-nanogram THC blood limit that creates a permissible inference of impairment.

The financial impact of a DUI conviction in Colorado extends far beyond initial fines. Total costs typically exceed \$13,000 when accounting for court fees, increased insurance premiums, ignition interlock devices, and mandatory alcohol education classes. For commercial drivers, healthcare workers, teachers, and military personnel, a DUI conviction can threaten professional licenses and security clearances, potentially ending careers.

Field sobriety tests conducted in winter conditions present additional challenges. Snow, ice, and cold temperatures can affect balance and coordination, leading to results that may not accurately reflect impairment levels. The firm emphasizes the importance of understanding these environmental factors when building defense strategies.

The seven-day deadline to request a Department of Motor Vehicles hearing following a DUI arrest makes immediate legal consultation critical. Missing this deadline results in automatic license suspension, regardless of the criminal case outcome.

DUI Law Firm Denver specializes in defending individuals charged with driving under the influence throughout the Denver metropolitan area and Colorado's mountain communities. The firm handles all aspects of DUI cases, including license suspension hearings, negotiations with prosecutors, and trial representation. Their attorneys maintain extensive knowledge of Colorado DUI laws, constitutional protections, and defense strategies specific to the state's unique environmental and legal landscape. The firm also provides defense services for drug-related offenses and other criminal matters.

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