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GEORGIA'S NEW HANDS FREE LAW

Effective July 1, 2018

What is a Driver **Prohibited** from Doing?

- X** Hold or support a wireless telecommunication device (including a cell phone or GPS) with any part of your body.
- X** Write, send, or read any text - based communication unless it's a voice - based communication that automatically converts to text.
- X** Watch videos except for the purpose of navigation.
- X** Record a video (including Skype and FaceTime).



NO

TEXTING WHILE
DRIVING

NO

BROWSING THE
INTERNET

What is a Driver **Allowed** to Do?

- ✓** Use a GPS system or mapping app (ie. Google), but cannot access the app, such as to change the address while driving.
- ✓** Use music streaming apps like Spotify, but cannot touch their phone to skip, start or stop the app while driving.
- ✓** Speak or text while using hands - free technology.
- ✓** Wearing and using a smart watch.
- ✓** Use a radio, emergency devices or "in-vehicle security, navigation or remote diagnostics" systems.
- ✓** Begin and end a phone call using **ONE** button.
- ✓** Use a voice-to-text device to send text messages or other text-based communication.
- ✓** Use an electronic device while legally parked (not at a stoplight - "lawfully" means off or beside the road in an area open to parking).

YES

USE FOR
EMERGENCIES

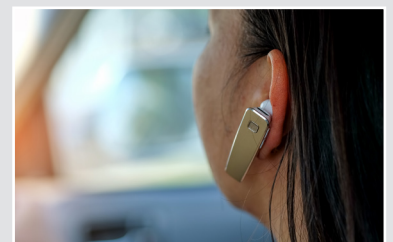
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USE
HANDS FREE



Types of Hands-Free Devices Allowed

**SPEAKERPHONE
EARPIECE
BLUETOOTH DEVICE
SMART WATCH**



EMERGENCY USE ONLY

Drivers can use their devices during emergencies to:

- Report a traffic incident
- Report a medical emergency
- Report a fire
- Report a crime
- Report hazardous road conditions

PENALTIES

- **1st Offense:** \$50 fine + 1 point on drivers license
- **2nd Offense** (within a 24 - month period): \$100 fine + 2 points on drivers license
- **3rd Offense** (within a 24 - month period): \$150 fine + 3 points on driver license
- *Any further infractions may lead to a driver's license suspension.