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Sub:- Prevention of Traffic Accidents – Detection of Drunken driving – Reg.
Ref :- PHQ Circular 44/2009 dated 22/10/2009.

It is of grave concern that deaths in road traffic accidents have increased considerably during 2011 compared to previous years. It is noticed that a large number of accidents are caused by drunken driving. The following instructions are issued for more effective police action in case of drunken driving:-

02. In case of an accident, the officer who reaches the scene, whether he is from the Control Room or the Highway Patrol or the local police, should immediately subject the driver or drivers involved in the accident to drunkenness test using Alcometer. Passive testing can be done to know whether alcohol presence can be reasonably suspected. If found positive, then the Alcometer can be used for active test to find out the percentage of alcohol present. If test is positive, then the officer who does the test shall give a report in writing to the Investigating Officer of the case. The I.O. shall immediately send a report to the RTO to suspend the driving license of the driver in addition to prosecution for drunken driving.

03. In respect of all drivers of heavy or medium vehicles who are found to have driven in a drunken condition, whether involved in accident or not, a report shall be sent in addition to Prosecution for drunken driving, to the RTO to suspend the driving license as per provisions of MV Act.

04. Inspector General of Police (Traffic & Road Safety Management) will do a monthly review of all cases where accidents are caused due to drunken driving and also of those instances where reports are sent up against heavy vehicle drivers for suspension of driving licenses.

**STATE POLICE CHIEF,
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