

## BAN ON CELLPHONES AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES WHILE DRIVING

### FINES AND PENALTIES

Driver Group	Offence	Penalty*
<b>Graduated Licensing Program (GLP) drivers</b>	The use of any prescribed electronic device within the meaning of the legislation, including use of a hands-free communication device or other electronic device.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>\$167 fine; and</b></li> <li>- <b>3 penalty points</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Offences carrying penalty points can lead to a driving prohibition under the authority and discretion of the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles. If the driver is in the Novice stage, the 24 month Novice period starts again from the beginning once the prohibition is complete and the driver's licence is returned to the driver.</p>
<b>All drivers (except GLP)</b>	The use of an electronic device that is not allowed for in legislation but that does not involve texting, e-mailing or dialing, e.g., talking on a hand held cell phone.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>\$167 fine; and</b></li> <li>- <b>no penalty points</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Offences not carrying penalty points may still be considered for the purpose of prohibiting a driver should a person's driving record come under review.</p>
	The use of an electronic device for communicating with another person or another device by e-mail or other text based message, e.g., texting, e-mailing or dialing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>\$167 fine; and</b></li> <li>- <b>3 penalty points</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Offences carrying penalty points can lead to a driving prohibition, for any driver, under the authority and discretion of the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles.</p>

\*B.C. fine amounts reflect full fine including victim surcharge. An additional reduction, however, is applied to fines paid within 30 days.