



## Tips to avoid a **lock out**


Remember, Intoxalock is alcohol specific, not alcoholic beverage specific and will read any source of alcohol. Per state requirements you are responsible for all alcohol readings regardless of the source. We strongly advise that you review and observe the following tips.

### Easy steps to avoid a lock out

- When preparing to submit a breath sample, please ensure you have allowed at least 10-15 minutes after eating, drinking anything (except water), smoking or using any product that contains alcohol.
- If you do blow a BrAC (Breath Alcohol Concentration) and believe it's not from an alcoholic beverage, rinse your mouth out with water and air out your vehicle before submitting your next sample.
- Take all test requests as soon as safely possible.
- Do not leave your vehicle running unattended as you never know when you could be requested to submit a breath sample.
- Do not exit your vehicle prior to seeing the "Waiting for restart" message and countdown appear. Your Intoxalock could request a rolling retest that must be passed.
- Make sure your battery is fully charged and in good working condition. Loss of power for 5-30 minutes can be seen as attempted bypassing and cause a lock out.

### TIPS TO REMEMBER AFTER CONSUMING ALCOHOL

**Regardless of alcohol consumption, you must submit all scheduled breath samples.**

- If you do consume alcohol, it may take 12-24 hours for the alcohol to leave your system. 'Sleeping it off' for a few hours may not work. 
- After consuming alcohol, your BrAC level will continue to rise for while before it starts to dissipate. How long depends on how much and how fast you consumed the alcohol.
- BrAC levels can fluctuate as your body processes the alcohol, just because you blow below the state limit to start your car doesn't mean that it will be below the limit for your rolling retest.

**NOTE:** Your state may have specific requirements that may cause your device to enter into a lock out. Please refer to your user's manual for specific rules regarding your state.

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