

While most drivers control their vehicle in a safe and competent manner, there remains a minority of bad drivers in the UK.If you've witnessed an incident of dangerous driving, you may believe you are powerless to do anything about it. However, if you feel another motorist has put themselves, their passengers or other road users (including you) at risk, you can report their dangerous driving is driving [that] falls far below the standard expected of a competent and careful driver and it would be obvious that driving in that way would be dangerous. Note the word far since it emphasises the serious nature of the alleged offence; bad driver does not nearly cover it. Examples of dangerous driving include: Racing or driving aggressively Driving a defective vehicle What is careless driving? Dangerous driving should not be confused with careless driving which is a standard of driving which falls below the level of safe and competent driving, but not is not as extreme as dangerous during. Examples of careless driving: Tailgating (driving too close behind another vehicle) Inside overtakingLane hoggingDriving through a red lightDriving while distracted (e.g. using a phone) Sudden/violent breakingThe penalty for careless driving may be a Fixed Penalty Notice of 100 and three points on your licence, although a driver education course may be avoided. What is anti-social driving? The term anti-social driving? The term anti-social driving may also be used. Avon and Somerset Police states that anti-social driving is any activity involving a vehicle which causes alarm or distress. This includes: racing, drifting around corners, making excessive noise or playing loud music from the vehicle. Police have the power to issue a 100 Fixed Penalty Notice and three licence points, even if an accident has not taken place. Using a mobile phone while drivingUsing a mobile phone while driving can be extremely dangerous - whether its hand held or handsfree. Drivers using phone communications are four times more likely to be in a collision resulting in injuries. Mobile phone use behind the wheel can be a major distraction, making it harder to concentrate on the road ahead and on other road users. Research suggests it can take half a minute to regain full concentration after a phone call, during which time the quality of driving is impaired. Using a hands free kit may be lawful, if it causes a distraction and contributes to an accident, a motorist could still find themselves in hot water with the law. Should I report dangerous driving, but doing so may help make the roads safer. Perhaps unsurprisingly, research suggests people are significantly less likely to report an instance of dangerous driving committed by a family member compared to a stranger. In the case of a family member who has been driving dangerously while drunk (or who may be about to), many people prefer to take away the person's keys, call them a taxi or offer them a lift. Whether or not the person who has committed an alleged dangerous driving offence is known to you, you can always inform the police anonymously, eliminating much of the stress caused by doing so. How to report dangerous driving offence is known to you, you can always inform the police anonymously, eliminating much of the stress caused by doing so. How to report dangerous driving offence is known to you, you can always inform the police anonymously, eliminating much of the stress caused by doing so. How to report dangerous driving offence is known to you, you can always inform the police anonymously arisk to the stress caused by doing so. How to report dangerous driving offence is known to you, you can always inform the police anonymously arisk to the stress caused by doing so. How to report dangerous driving offence is known to you, you can always inform the police anonymously arisk to the stress caused by doing so. 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How to report dangerous driving offence is known to you can always inform the police anonymously are stress caused by doing so. How to you can always inform the police anonymously are stress caus themselves and others. Ensure you're in a safe place to make the call - and of course, never be tempted to make a traffic offence report to the police on 101 (or 999 if the incident is in progress). You can also contact your local police station. Contact police by email and upload dashcam footage (if you have it) Thanks to the prevalence of dash cams, it is easier for police to secure a conviction in the modern day. If you do decide to send dashcam footage to the police, ensure you are parked somewhere safe when you access the data, and be aware that any other offences on the footage (including yours) may also be investigated. You may also send footage of the incident taken with your phone, but this should not be captured while you are behind the wheel (or otherwise cutting yourself at risk). Websites like Nextbase.com make it easy to find your local force and upload your local force and up relevant police force. I don't have a dashcam. What should I do?You can still report an incident of dangerous driving if you don't have a dashcam. You will need to provide as many details as you can, including: Registration numberMake, model and colour of the vehicleDate and time when the incident took placeDescription of the driverYou can use a form on the Metropolitan Police website to report an incident. The incident can have happened anywhere in the UK.Can I be sure my report will be anonymous. However, officers may contact you for more information, and you may be required to attend court if you are a witness. What will the police do about it?A substantial proportion of incidents of dangerous driving result in police action. 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It will be anonymous if you make the report over the phone, but not if you choose to report using the DVLAs online form.What are the penalties for dangerous driving?Offence:Causing death by dangerous drivingMaximum penalty:14 years imprisonmentUnlimited fineObligatory disqualification (min. 2 years)Penalty points:3 to 11 (if exceptionally not disqualification (min. 2 years)Penalty:14 years imprisonmentUnlimited fineObligatory disqualification (min years)Penalty points:3 to 11 (if exceptionally not disqualified)Offence: Dangerous drivingMaximum penalty: 2 years imprisonmentUnlimited fineObligatory disqualified)Offence: Careless and inconsiderate drivingMaximum penalty: 2 years imprisonmentUnlimited fineObligatory disqualified)Offence: Dangerous drivingMaximum penalty: 2 years imprisonmentUnlimited fineObligatory disqualified)Offence: 2 years imprisonmentUnlimited fineObli 9Offence: Using a vehicle in a dangerous conditionMaximum penalty:LGV or PCV unlimited fineOther vehicles 2,500 fineObligatory disqualification if offence (minimum 6 months)Otherwise discretionary disqualificationPenalty points: 3 in each caseOffence: Using a hand-held mobile phone when drivingMaximum penalty:1,000 fine (2,500 for PCV or goods vehicle)Discretionary disqualificationPenalty points:6Find out more information on motoring penalties on the Highway Code website.Will a convicted dangerous driver end up in prison?Whether or not someone convicted of dangerous driving receives a custodial sentence depends on how severe
the case is. For example, if someone is killed or seriously injured, the case for a jail term may be much stronger. The maximum prison sentence for causing death by dangerous driving, they will receive a court summons. Insurance for those convicted of dangerous driving Motorists who have been convicted of dangerous or careless driving may find it difficult to obtain insurance. Providers that do offer insurance will likely charge a higher risk than a driver without a conviction. The bottom line By making a traffic offence report you are helping to reduce the number of bad drivers in the UK, while promoting safer roads for us all. Its possible your actions put drivers at risk every single day, but sometimes these minor transgressions become dangerous. Nobody wants to be put at risk by others and thats why the police enforce our driving laws. However, officers cant be present at every event, so if you see a driver doing something dangerous on the road well look at what counts as dangerous driving below then you might want to inform the police by reporting it. Theres not always a clear outcome from doing so, because it all depends on what evidence is available, as well as other factors. But at the very least it helps authorities get more clarity on driving statistics for future planning. Advertisement - Article continues belowSo if youve seen dangerous driving on UK roads, read on below to find out how to report it and what youll need when you do so.Dangerous driving is a broad term and can cover anything from speeding to using a mobile phone while driving. The law defines it as anything that falls far below the standard expected of a competent and careful driver, and it would be obvious that driving in that way would be dangerous. Skip advertAdvertisement - Article continues belowIts a more serious offence than driving without due care and attention, which is defined as driving that falls below what would be expected of a competent and careful driver." This means that close, it would probably be considered careless driving, but if someone drives 5cm from the car in front at 70mph, its more likely to be considered as either careless or dangerous driving isnt set in stone, because its all about context, but other examples of driving that might fall into either caregory includes racing, lane hogging, weaving, ignoring road signs or lights, drink or drug driving, using a phone, being distracted by something else in the car, driving a car thats unfit or as an unfit person, and much more. Some of these examples you might see every day, the best example probably being speeding; if you reported every speeding driver, youd have a full-time job on your hands. But others are less common and you might think the driver poses a significant risk with their behaviour, such as recklessly weaving at speed through traffic. Thats an example where you might want to make an official report. If dangerous driving is happening right now and will continue to happen - for example if you see a road rage incident where one car is terrorising another, or you see a car recklessly overtaking and undertaking traffic at speed, you can call 999 and speak to the operator. Only use a phone if you can do so safely and legally. Advertisement - Article continues belowSkip advertAdvertisement - Article continues belowYou can also call the police on 101 to report an incident that isnt an emergency. If youve seen someone in a car doing something dangerous but its no longer happening, then this is the number to call. Again, you should try to have as much information as possible to hand, including the car type, colour and number plate. Never use your phone to record dangerous driving when you are trying to record. If you have a dash cam, you can let the police know on the phone and they will a footage to them.Reporting online may also be possible, but youll have to go to the website of the police force that covers the area where the incident occurred. Usually these sites have a section where you can report crimes and include a way to upload your dash cam footage. Nextbase, a popular dash cam brand, has a convenient map on its website to help you find the correct police force. The more details you can give to the police, the more likely it is that action will be taken. The obvious things to keep in mind are the car itself (the make, model, colour and number plate) and the description of the incident, but you should also it is (although this isnt likely because most people dont report people they know for driving offences, even if they know they are breaking the law), in which case you should give those details as well. Advertisement - Article continues belowSkip advertAdvertisement - Article continues belowSkip along with the location. You can use online maps to get an exact spot if needed. There might be other details you need if the context is different; for example you could describe the bicycle of a rider you are reporting for dangerous behaviour if there is no car involved. Be prepared to give an official statement if the case goes to court; while your details wont be shared with the accused if police decide to prosecute, you may need to appear in court or make an official statement as a witness. The penalties depend entirely on which law that the police decide has been broken. For example, using a mobile phone while driving carries a penalty of six points and a fine in most cases, but could also lead to a 1,000 fine or a driving ban in some court cases. Dangerous driving as a specific offence has a penalty of up to two years imprisonment and up to nine and up to nine and up to nine court cases. Dangerous driving can also be subject to an unlimited fine and up to nine court cases. points.Yes, anyone can call the police to report crimes that are happening now or that have happened in the past. It really depends on the context. If someone runs a red light by cutting it too close on the amber stage and you didnt catch the number plate, the likelihood of a prosecution is so low that its probably not worth your time. But if you see something seriously dangerous like a street race, then you would be more justified in reporting the crime in progress. No, the police will take your name and address in case things progress to court. However, the accused driver wont be given your details. Electric car drivers wont ever go back to petrol or dieselElectric car drivers wont ever go back to petrol or dieselEditor Paul Barker thinks the EV transition is coming whether we like it or notThe MG HS just got hot! New 221bhp Hybrid+ model joins line-upThe Hybrid+ gives the MG HS another tool to take on the Dacia Bigster2026 Land Rover Defender updates look subtle, but they fix one huge annoyance for owners2026 Land Rover Defender updates look subtle, but they fix one huge annoyance for ownersLand Rover has introduced new, larger white-painted steel wheels for models with big brakes, fixing one massive irritation with the previous generatioA dangerous driving occurs when a driver falls far below the minimum standard expected when on the roads. This can include behaviour that could potentially endanger yourself or other road users. Dangerously, driving includes speeding, racing, driving aggressively, ignoring traffic lights, ignoring traffic lights, ignoring road signs, overtaking dangerously, driving aggressively, ignoring traffic lights, safe.It can also relate to drivers who use a hand-held phone or are distracted from driving. Written by Graham King Updated: 27 March 2024 The UK has some of the safest roads in the world, but weve all seen driving of a standard that we dont think is acceptable. Things like cutting in and out of traffic, tailgating and so on. If there are no police around to see such behaviour, you may be minded to report the driver to the authorities. But how to report a dangerous driving? In this guide, were going to explain everything you need to know so you can report a dangerous driving? In this guide, were going to explain everything you need to know so you can report a dangerous driving? cover what to do if you think someone is unfit to drive for any reason. 9If you see an incident of dangerous driving, you should report it to the police as soon as possible. The legal definition of dangerous driving, as set out by the UKs Crown Prosecution Service is driving [that] falls far below the standard expected of a competent and careful driver it would be obvious that driving in that way would be dangerous. So, what does dangerous driving look like? Its any driving behaviour that actively puts other road users at risk. For instance, pulling out right in front of another vehicle, forcing it to brake or swerve. Or brake testing the vehicle behind. Or going through a crossing when there are pedestrians on it. Theres also a lesser offence of careless driving or anti-social driving, also known as driving without due care and attention. This is when driving falls below the expected standard, but not in a dangerous way. Examples of careless driving include tailgating, lane hogging, going too fast around a roundabout and deliberately spinning the cars wheels. 9Dangerous driving is any manoeuvre or behaviour that puts other road users at risk. Many offences that come under careless driving at your phone or satnav rather than the road for a long time. Anything you can do to help keep the roads safe is valuable. But its entirely understandable to feel reluctant about reporting someone for dangerous driving, after all. Is it really fair to report someone for a mere lapse of judgement? Well, the truth of the matter is that most dangerous drivers are persistent offenders. If you see someone driving dangerously and observe their behaviour while the vehicle is still in sight, youll almost certainly see them commit several more offences. Its also possible that the driver is committing other offences such driving without a valid license or insurance. 9You should report an
incident of dangerous driving you witness as soon as possible but dont pick your phone until youve stopped in a safe place. And even if the dangerous behaviour was just a momentary lapse, the prospect of being prosecuted for it can refocus a drivers attention. Theyll become more careful and considerate for it. You can call the police at any time while observing dangerous driving, or after the event. If youre driving yourself, do not pick up your phone to dial 999. You may be able to access your phones keypad through the cars infotainment system or speaker phone to talk to the police dont hold your phone to your ear. If thats not possible, pull over in a safe place or wait until you get home. Dont do anything dangerous driver as you can including its make, model, colour and any part of the registration number you saw. Also give at least a rough idea the location and time of the incident, and the direction the car was heading in. 9Once youve reported a dangerous driver, their car may be spotted by an automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) camera. At that point, a patrol car may be sent out to intercept it. The police wont just rely on your report to bring a prosecution. CCTV coverage of the UKs major roads is so comprehensive that they may be able to trace the cars journey and the footage could reveal other incidents of dangerous driving. You can also submit a report about a dangerous driving incident after the fact over the phone using the 101 non-emergency number or online. Youl need the same details as described above. Yes, you can. Indeed, dashcam footage is an increasingly non-emergency number or online. valuable source of evidence to prosecute dangerous drivers. The police have a dedicated service for submitting dashcam footage, called Operation Snap website make your submission to the force that covers the area the incident took place in. Theres a quite lengthy form to fill out with all the details of the incident; you then upload the footage files at the bottom. If youre unsure how to extract the footage from your dashcam, consult its manual or search online. Dashcam manufacturer Nextbase allows you to send footage to the police from your dashcam, consult its manual or search online. an unfit state to do so. They may be about to drive, but by doing so you could prevent them and other road users coming to harm. But how to report dangerous driving before it happens? 9You can report someone to the police if theyre drunk and may attempt to drive. If the person has already got into their car, call 101, explain what the situation is and give your location. If the person has already got into their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about them, their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information as you can about their car, call 999 and give as much information of medical conditions and disabilities are excluded from driving by the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority (DVLA). Thats because their conditions are never able to get a driving license in the first place. But if the conditions that can exclude you from driving, such as glaucoma. Declarable conditions include diabetes, sleep apnoea, glaucoma, epilepsy and dementia. It could also be the case that someone has become unable to drive safely as theyve got older. Note that, in many cases, people who develop declarable conditions can continue driving once they have medical clearance to do so. Failure to declare a condition can result in a 1,000 fine. Drivers who develop such a condition can result in a 1,000 fine. their license entirely. But many people are understandably reluctant to do so, for fear of losing their independence. In those cases, it is possible declare a condition or surrender a license on their behalf. There are set procedures to go through, depending on the circumstances and conditions involved. It can be quite complex, so Its best to contact the DVLA and ask how to proceed. Reports of any offence including dangerous driving are taken in the strictest confidence. You will, however, be asked for your contact details in case the investigation to do so. 9A report of dangerous driving are taken in the strictest confidence. driving can be name anonymously, but the police may want to interview you later about the incident. Once youve made a report about dangerous driving, the relevant force passes it onto the Road Policing Unit which will decide if further action needs to be taken. The driver could be pulled over if a patrol sees them on the road, they could be visited at home, at the very least theyll receive a letter telling them a report was made. The penalty given for dangerous driving depends on the severity of the offence, and whether the driver has to undertake extra training at their own expense. More serious offences can result in being banned from driving also known as disqualified for at least two years. It might also be necessary to take a driving test before a new license can be obtained. In the very worst cases, dangerous driving and careless driving, for that matter can result in an innocent road user being injured or killed. In such cases, the driver likely faces imprisonment for up to 14 years. 9The penalty for dangerous driving ranges from license points and a fine up to 14 years in prison, depending on the severity of the offence. Just so you know, we may receive a commission or other compensation from the links on this website - read why you should trust us. If you have witnessed dangerous driving on the roads, it is essential to report it to the appropriate authorities. In the UK, the Driver and Vehicle Licensing of drivers and vehicles. While the DVLA does not directly handle complaints about dangerous drivers, they can take action against drivers who are medically unfit to drive or those who fail to meet the necessary standards. In cases of reckless driving, it is usually more appropriate to report it to the DVLA. Step 1: Gather Information Before making a complaint, gather as much information as possible about the incident. This may include: The date and time of the vehicle (make, model, colour)A description of the driverDetails of any witnessesAny evidence, such as photographs or video footage Step 2: Report to the Police If you have witnessed dangerous driving, it is essential to report it to the police as soon as possible. You can do this by visiting your local police with all the information you have gathered about the incident. Step 3: Report to the DVLA If you have concerns about a drivers fitness to drive due to medical reasons, you can report it to the DVLA. When report it to the DVLA, you will need to provide the following information: View Post The drivers full name and addressThe drivers date of birth or driving licence number (if known)Details of the medical fitness to the DVLA using the online form available at the following link: Report a medical condition that affects driving Alternatively, you can write to the DVLA at the following address: DVLA Swansea SA99 1TU Step 4: Follow Up After reporting the incident to the police or the DVLA, you may be contacted for further information or to provide a statement. It is essential to cooperate with any investigations and provide any additional information or evidence that may be requested. Step 5: Stay Informed If you have reported a dangerous driving is crucial for ensuring the safety of all road users. By following the steps outlined above, you can help to prevent accidents and protect yourself and others from harm. Remember to gather as much information as possible, report the incident to the appropriate authorities, and cooperate with any investigations. If you have witnessed dangerous driving on the roads it is essential to report it to the appropriate authorities. In the UK, the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA) is responsible for maintaining the registration and licensing of drivers who are medically unfit to drive or those who fail to meet the necessary standards. In cases of reckless driving, it is usually more appropriate to report the incident to the DVLA. Step 1: Gather Information Before making a complaint, gather as much information as possible about the incident. This may include: The date and time of the incidentThe location where the incident occurredThe registration number of the vehicle (make, model,
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When reporting a driver to the DVLA. drivers date of birth or driving licence number (if known)Details of the medical condition that you believe affects their ability to drive safelyAny other relevant information You can report a drivers medical fitness to the DVLA using the online form available at the following link: Report a medical condition that affects driving Alternatively, you can writer to the DVLA at the following address: DVLA Swansea SA99 1TU Step 4: Follow Up After reporting the incident to the police or the DVLA, you may be contacted for further information or to provide a statement. It is essential to cooperate with any investigations and provide a statement. It is essential to cooperate with any investigations and provide a statement. Informed If you have reported a dangerous driver to the police, you may wish to stay informed about the outcome of the investigation. You can request updates from the police or check the local news for any reports on the incident. Reporting dangerous driving is crucial for ensuring the safety of all road users. By following the steps outlined above you can help to prevent accidents and protect yourself and others from harm. Remember to gather as much information. Share copy and redistribute the material in any medium or format for any purpose, even commercially. Adapt remix, transform, and build upon the material for any purpose, even commercially. The licenser cannot revoke these freedoms as long as you follow the license, and indicate if changes were made . You may do so in any reasonable manner, but not in any way that suggests the licenser endorses you or your use. ShareAlike If you remix, transform, or build upon the material, you must distribute your contributions under the same license as the original. No additional restrictions You may not apply legal terms or technological measures that legally restrict others from doing anything the license permits. 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Pull over in a safe area and call 911 or the local non-emergency number. Tell them the details of the vehicle as well as where the location of the reckless driving occurred. Check the website of your city's local police department to see if they have an online form where you can submit a reckless driving incident report. 1 Make a note of a drivers unsafe or aggressive behaviors. A reckless driver is someone whose driving has the potential to put others in danger and/or cause an accident. Only report someone if you think that they pose a serious risk to the people around them or have violated traffic rules. Some types of reckless behavior to report include:[1]SpeedingDriving extremely below the speed limitWeaving between cars and lanesDrifting between lanes or driving between two lanesIgnoring traffic signals and signsExcessive swervingTailgatingRoad rageStreet racing 2Note the cars license plate number and any other physical features. When you make your report, giving as accurate of a description as possible of the vehicle will help law enforcement apprehend the driver. Take note of the vehicles make and model, the color, and the license plate number. Some other things that could help police identify the vehicleDistinctive bumper stickers or decalsAny obvious dents on the vehicleImportant: Do not write down any information or record the reckless driver with your best to memorize any details and pull over somewhere safe before writing anything down. If you have someone else in the car with you, ask them to write down the details or take a video. Advertisement 3Try to pick out details of the drivers appearance. To help law enforcement catch the unsafe driver, come up with a general description of their physical appearance. Note things like their hair color, the kind of clothes they might have on. Also take note of any other passengers in the vehicle.[3]Do not put yourself at risk by speeding up or tailgating the other driver in an attempt to see what they look like. If you cant see them clearly, just focus on taking down notes about what their car looks like and their car looks like and their license plate number. 4Pay attention to the location and the direction the car is heading. When you make your report, youll likely be asked where the reckless driving took place. Take note of the name of the road youre on or any mile markers if youre on a long highway or expressway. Also, pay attention to what direction the other car. If they can intercept them.[4]Also, take note of the time the incident occurred at.[5]Dont attempt to follow the other car. theyre driving recklessly, trying to follow them could put you and others in danger. Gather as much infromation as you can at a glance, then pull over to make your report.[6]5Mount a dashboard camera in your car to record evidence. While this, unfortunately, wont be able to help you gather evidence for a previous incident, it can definitely help you report any future instances of reckless driving. When you make your report, show the video footage from the dash cam to the police.[7]Some apps, like Nexar, turn your phone into a dashboard camera. However, these require you to have a dashboard mount for your phone. Advertisement 1Pull your car over in a safe area away from traffic. To keep yourself and any passengers safe, move to a safe shoulder off of the road or into a parking lot. Make sure youre completely stopped before pulling out your phone. Once youve pulled over and parked the car, go ahead and call the police.[8]If you have a passenger in the car, one youre completely stopped before pulling out your phone. option is to have them call the police and make the report while you drive.2Dial 911 if its an emergency situation. If the other person is driving extremely dangerously and putting other people at risk, call 911 as soon as you pull over to report them. When the dispatcher picks up, tell them youd like to report a reckless driver and provide them with the information youve gathered.[9]For example, you might say, "I'd like to report a reckless driver. There's a black SUV with Virginia plates speeding down I-40 West. I'm near mile marker 95. Theyre swerving between lanes, and I think they may be dangerous to others." 3Call a non-emergency number for less dangerous situations. If the reckless driver isnt posing a direct threat to others, dial the local polices non-emergency number. These will vary by state and city, so do a quick internet search to find the number for the area youre in.[10]Some states and local governments have special lines for reckless driving. For example, in Colorado, you have the option to call *277 to make a report. Look up to see if your state has a similar service.4Call the phone number on a Hows my driving? sticker. If the vehicle has a yellow Hows my driving? sticker, call the phone number written on it to make your report. There will also usually be an ID number that youll need to provide the operator when calling. Hows my driving? stickers are usually on vehicles belonging to fleet businesses.[11]You can say, "I'd like to report truck #555. They were tailgating my car and then they were driving almost 20 miles per hour above the speed limit while going west down I-90."Similarly, If the reckless driver was in a company truck, car, or vehicle, report their unsafe driving to their employer. Only do this if the driver was in a clearly marked company vehicle. Advertisement 1 File a report to a national database. If you were able to get the license plate number of the car, submit the information to a national database, such as ReportDangerousDrivers.com. Or, use an app such as Bad Driver to file your report. 2 Check the website of your city or police. Many local police departments and city transportation departments have online forms. Fill out the form carefully and be sure to include all relevant details about the incident and who was involved.[12]To find out if this is available in your area, search online for the name of your city or county with the words "report reckless driver." For example, you might type the words "Charlotte report reckless driver" or "Orange County report reckless driver." I noticed a red Mustang speeding down I-95 this morning around 9:00 AM. They around 9:00 AM. were weaving in and out of traffic and nearly collided with a truck. Thank you. "3Inform a local DMV if someone you know is a reckless driver. If you know the identity of an unsafe driver, you can request for your local DMV if someone you know is
a reckless driver. need to email others. In most cases, this information can be given anonymously. On this form, you will:[13]Identify who needs to be re-examined. If possible, provide their drivers license number or their license plate number. Provide a reason why they should be re-examined (medical issue, alcohol problem, worsening evesight, etc.)State your relationship to the driver (family member, friend, court-appointed sponsor, etc.)4Email the government to report a government. Send an email to howsmydriving@gsa.gov to report the reckless driver. In your email, include as much information as you can about the car and driver. If you have any photo or video evidence, be sure to attach that as well.[14]Vehicles with license plate numbers that start with G specifically belong to the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA). Use this index to see the license plate numbers that start with G specifically belong to the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA). 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I continuously beeped to keep him from wrecking, he wasn't happy with me. I was lucky to get his license plate #, I reported anonymously. Thanks for the article!"..." more Share your story Statutory vehicular offence in British lawFor the 2019 video game, see Dangerous Driving (video game). In United Kingdom law, dangerous driving is a statutory offence related to aggressive driving. It is also a term of art used in the definition of the offence of causing death by dangerous driving. It replaces the former offence of reckless driving. Canada's Criminal Code has equivalent provisions covering dangerous driving (see "Canada" section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1991[1]): A person who drives a mechanically propelled vehicle dangerously on a road or other public place is guilty of an offence. A person is to be regarded as driving dangerously for the purposes of sections 1 and 2 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 if the way he/she driver, and it would be dangerous;[2] and if it would be obvious to a competent and careful driver that driving the vehicle in its current state (for the purpose of the determination of which regard may be had to anything attached or carried) would be dangerous.[3]In this context, "dangerous" refers to danger either of injury to any person or of serious damage to property; and in determining what would be expected of, or obvious to, a competent and careful driver in a particular case, regard shall be had not only to the accused.[4]In Attorney General's Reference (No 4 of 2000) (2001) 2 Cr. App. R. 417 Woolf CJ said at p 422: The essential limbs, as is common ground, do not require any specific intent to drive dangerously. Section 2A sets out a wholly objective test. The concept of what is obvious to a careful driver places the question of what constitutes dangerous driving within the province of the jury. Thus, whereas the underlying test of dangerousness is objective, a test based on the concept of "obviousness" considers the extent of knowledge that the accused had in his or her mind at the time the actus reus of driving occurred, and on the knowledge that would have been in the mind of a reasonable person (see mens rea and criminal negligence for discussion on the nature of these tests and the scope of the reasonable person). The Court of Appeal held in the case of R v Banister [5] that police drivers get no special treatment. "The special skill (or indeed lack of skill) of a driver is an irrelevant circumstance when considering whether the driving is liable, on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months, or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or to both.[6]Any conviction for dangerous driving (or causing death by dangerous driving) for a driver holding a licence issued in England, Wales or Scotland) will result in a mandatory disqualification if the offence took place in the United Kingdom proper, Isle of Man or Republic of Ireland (see also Traffic violations reciprocity). The driver must return to being a learner driver, even if the offence did not result in death or grievous bodily harm, and an extended practical driving test, about 70 minutes long and about 30 minutes longer than the regular driving test, must be taken by the driver to regain his or her full driving licence. [citation needed] The Road Traffic Act 1972 and then by section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1988. It was abolished, and replaced with the offence of causing death by dangerous driving by section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1991. After it was substituted by section 50(1) of the Criminal Law Act 1977, section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1977, section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1977, section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1972 read as follows: A person who causes the death of another person by driving a motor vehicle on a road recklessly shall be guilty of an offence. A person guilty of this offence was liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years. Guidance as to sentencing was given in R v Boswell 79 Cr App R (S) 257, [1984] 1 WLR 1047, [1984] Crim LR 502, CA. The offence of dangerous driving was created by section 2 of the Road Traffic Act 1972. It was abolished by section 50 of the Criminal Law Act 1977. The expression "motor vehicle" was defined by section 190(1), and the expressions "drive" and "road" were defined by section 196(1). The mens rea of this offence was considered in R v Lawrence [1982] AC 510, [1981] 2 WLR 524, 73 Cr App R 1, [1981] 1 All ER 974, [1981] Crim LR 409, HL, reversing 71 Cr App R 291. This offence is created by article 10 of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 (S.I. 1995/2994 (N.I.)). A person guilty of dangerous driving is liable, on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding five years, or to a fine, or to both. [7] This offence is created by article 9 of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 (S.I. 1995/2994 (N.I.)). It carries a mandatory disqualification of at least 24 months.[7] Research now shows ways to reduce the intentions of people to binge drink or engage in dangerous driving. A key article by Martin, Lee, Weeks and Kaya (2013) suggests that understanding consumer personality and how people view others is important. People were shown ads talking of the
harmful effects of binge drinking. People who valued close friends as a sense of who they are, were less likely to want to binge drink after seeing an ad featuring them and a close friends as a sense of who they are, were less likely to want to be be the sense of who they are reacted better to ads featuring an individual. A similar pattern was showing a person driving at dangerous speeds. This suggests ads showing potential harm to citizens from binge drinking or dangerous operation of a conveyance" is created by section 320.13(1) of the Criminal Code.[10] A "conveyance" is defined as "a motor vehicle, a vessel, an aircraft or railway equipment".[11] The actus reus of the offence is "that the degree of care exercised by the accused was a marked departure from the standard of care that a reasonable person would observe in the accuseds circumstances".[12]The equivalent, under the country's Criminal Code, to "dangerous driving", is Dangerous driving", is Dangerous driving". summarily, 2 years minus one day.[13] if tried by indictment, 10 years.[14] A licence suspension is mandatory, and will be for a minimum of 12 months if the person has no prior Criminal Code driving convictions, for a Criminal Code driving convictions, but will also receive a prison sentence. Some provinces count equivalents, to Criminal Code driving convictions, if such convictions, if such convictions, if such convictions, if they occur in New York or Michigan. Those equivalent to dangerous driving are included. Dangerous operation causing bodily harm is a hybrid offence and may be tried summarily or by indictment. [15] Dangerous operation causing death may only be tried by indictment. [16] Custodial sentences will almost always be given as a result of a conviction for either type of dangerous driving charge. [citation needed]Anyone convicted of dangerous operation causing bodily harm is subject to a maximum prison sentence of 14 years.[15] The Criminal Code defines bodily harm as "any hurt or injury to a person that interferes with the health or comfort of the person and that is more than merely transient or trifling in nature".[17]Anyone convicted of dangerous operation causing death is subject to a maximum sentence of life imprisonment.[18]Although the minimum driving prohibitions, driving prohibitions, in these cases, are often longer than 12 months. Some provinces, such as Ontario[permanent dead link], Alberta and Nova Scotia, require the resitting of all theory and practical driving tests if the licence suspension is longer than a prescribed time period. Driving without due care and attentionUnited Kingdom traffic laws^ 1991^ The Road Traffic Act 1988, section 2A(1) (as inserted by section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1991)^ The Road Traffic Act 1991)^ The Road Traffic Act 1991)^ The Road Traffic Act 1988, sections 2A(2) and (4) (as inserted by section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1991)^ The Road Traffic Act 1991)^ The Road Traffic Act 1988, sections 2A(2) and (4) (as inserted by section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1991)^ The Road Traffic Act 1988, sections 2A(2) and (4) (as inserted by section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1991)^ The Road Traffic Act 1988, sections 2A(2) and (4) (as inserted by section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1988, section 2 A (28 July 2009)^ The Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988, section 33 and Part I of Schedule 2^ a b "Penalties | nidirect". Archived from the original on 24 April 2011. Retrieved 5 April 2011. Retrieved 5 April 2011. Retrieved 5 April 2011. Retrieved 5 April 2011. interdependent self-construal and self-referencing on attitudes toward social marketing " Archived 27 April 2015 at the Wayback Machine, Journal of Consumer Behaviour, 12, 81-90.^ "Criminal Law". H&M. Retrieved 5 May 2015.^ Criminal Code, section 320.13(1)^ Criminal Code, section 320.11^ a b R v Roy, 2012 SCC 26 at para 28^ Criminal Law". Code, sections 320.19(5)(b) and 787(1)^ Criminal Code, sections 320.13(3) and 320.21^ Criminal Code, sections 320. a small mistake and putting other road users at risk. If you see someone driving to the police, how to submit dashcam footage and what happens afterwards. What is dangerous driving is driving that puts you and other road users at risk. The Crown Prosecution Service says it's when "driving falls far below the standard expected of a competent and careful driver and it would be dangerous". It can also be called 'careless driving' or 'anti-social driving', depending on how serious the offence is. There are a range of offences that can all count as dangerous driving. Find out more about what dangerous driving. But our research suggests that people are more likely to report a stranger than someone they know, like a friend or family member. We asked our Members what theyd do if they saw a drunk person preparing to drive. 49% said they dreport a drunk driver to the police it it was a stranger. Only 2% said they do if they away the driver's keys, call a cab or offer them a lift.*But reporting someone for driving dangerously is always an option - even if its someone you know - as you can do it anonymously. And report dangerous driving, you can report a bad driver to the police.Call 999 if dangerous driving's in progress and you think the driver could cause themselves or others a serious injury, for example if theyre a drink driver. Make sure youre not driving and are in a safe place when you call.You can make a report online or over the phone after the event. You can also submit dashcam footage if you have it. Thanks to the increase in drivers using dashcams and the work of Operation Snap, its easy to report dangerous drivers to the police using video footage. After you've told the police using video fo necessary. Report a bad driver caught on dashcam footage to the police: Wait until you're out of the car Wait until you're out of th your report. Submit dashcam footage online Websites like Nextbase will send the footage to your local police force. Or contact your local police force. Or contact your local police force directly You can call 101 or your local police force. Or contact your local police force directly You can call 101 or your local police force. Or contact your local police force. Or contact your local police force. Or contact your local police force directly You can call 101 or your local police force. Or contact your local police force directly You can call 101 or your local police force. 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Youll need to include as many details as possible when you tell the police:Get the driver's details As soon as you

can, pull over in a safe place. Try to make a note of the following, as the police will need this information: The vehicle's registration The vehicle's colour, make and model The time and place where the incident happened Any other details, such as a description of the driverCall 101 The best way to report dangerous driving to the police after the event is to call the non-emergency number on 101.Or submit your report online Can I report someone anonymously for dangerous driving?Any details which you give will be treated confidentially, and the person you reported them.But the police could take your contact details as they may need more information. You might also have to go to court if the police attempt to prosecute the other driver. What happens next if you report someone for dangerous driving?The police will review your report and any footage, and will also check to see if the vehicle and the driver have been reported before. Then, 1 of the following 3 things may happen: The police will pass your report to the local police forces Road Policing Unit. This team can then choose to deal with it and see if any further actions need to be taken. Your report will be submitted to a database of dangerous driving reports. A letter may be sent to the registered owner of the vehicle to warn them of the complaint made against them.In January 2019, the BBC reported that 2,300 dashcam clips were sent to police in 2018. Action was taken in more than 650 of the cases, so reports do lead to police action.Penalties for dangerous driving. *AA Populus poll of 29,568 drivers completed 17th - 23rd November 2015. Published: 18 November 2019 | Updated: 21 October 2020 | Author: The AA

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