

6 STEPS

What to do after being PULLED OVER for an OUI in MA



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Remain Calm and Don't Exit The Vehicle

Keep your composure and stay inside your car. However, if the officer asks you to exit the vehicle, do so slowly and calmly.

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Don't Make Sudden Moves and Keep Your Hands Visible

Never lunge for the glove box, back seat, or underneath your seat. If you can, have your license, registration, and proof of insurance available by the time the officer comes to your window.

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Be Polite, But Not Talkative

Always be respectful to the police officer and refer to them as "sir" or "ma'am." Do not be overly talkative as the police officer will be listening for slurred speech to indicate that you are drunk.

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What To Say to "Have You Been Drinking?"

- Answer the question honestly. Never lie during an OUI stop. If you deny drinking and the Breathalyzer test reveals otherwise, your credibility will be damaged.
- Reply, "I would rather not say" and ask to speak to a lawyer.
- Remain silent and refuse to answer the officer's question.

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The Field Sobriety Test

You are not legally obligated to take a field sobriety test (FST) in MA. If you refuse to take the test, you will face no legal consequences and it cannot be used as evidence in your trial. If you fail a field sobriety test and the results are used as evidence in court, a good attorney can still challenge them.

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Contact an experienced OUI Lawyer

If you are faced with OUI charges in MA, call the offices of Edén Rafferty for a free consultation with one of our attorneys experienced in the local OUI/DUI laws. We can help