



Rules for mobile phone usage in vehicles by State and Territory

Penalties



JURISDICTION	OFFENCE	DEMERIT POINTS	FINE
ACT	Using handheld mobile phone while driving	★★★ 3 points	\$498
	Using mobile phone to access internet, social networking, messaging, application	★★★★ 4 points	\$612
NT	Use of handheld mobile phone or any Video Display Unit while driving	★★★ 3 points	\$500
NSW	Using handheld mobile phone while driving	★★★★★ 5 points	\$362
	Using mobile phone while driving in school zone	★★★★★ 5 points	\$481
Qld	Using handheld mobile phone while driving	★★★★ 4 points	\$1161
	Repeat mobile phone offence within 12 months of the first offence	★★★★★★★ 8 points	\$1161
SA	Using handheld mobile phone while driving	★★★ 3 points	\$592
Tas	Using handheld mobile phone while driving	★★★ 3 points	\$390
Vic	Using handheld mobile phone while driving	★★★★ 4 points	\$555
WA	Touching or holding a mobile phone to make voice calls	★★★ 3 points	\$500
	Creating or viewing a text, social media, mobile app, video or similar	★★★★ 4 points	\$1000

Data is sourced from state and territory transport authorities. For more information refer to the Source Glossary. The Road User Placemats are not the law, but a guide to some of the laws relating to driving within the states and territories. The information in this publication is provided in good faith and is considered accurate at the time of release. Please check your relevant transport authority for any changes. By using the Road User Placemats, you acknowledge you have read the department's [disclaimer](#).

Voice call while driving



No use at all for restricted licence holders

ACT | NSW | Vic



MUST BE securely mounted
All states and territories



Device cannot be resting on person's body

Vic | SA | NSW | Tas | ACT | WA
Qld | NT



No use at all for P1 and learner drivers
Qld | SA | Tas | NSW | NT

Digital tools



DIGITAL LICENCE

NSW | SA | Qld* | Vic**

*On a trial basis

** Rollout commenced 1 July 2023

Vic | WA

Plans to trial digital licence apps and will accept them from interstate or overseas visitors

TAP AND PAY / DIGITAL WALLET



RULES VARY BETWEEN STATES

Most do not yet specify. Some allow for safe use in drive-thru or carpark context.

Set and forget while driving



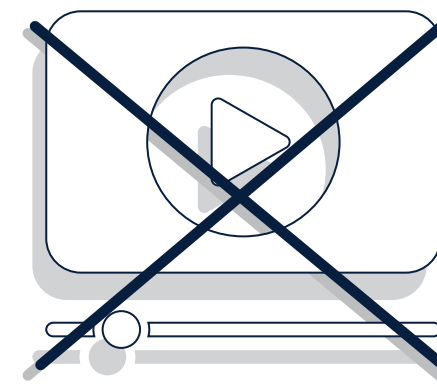
FUNCTIONS MUST ONLY BE USED WITHOUT TOUCHING THE DEVICE, SUCH AS **VOICE CONTROL**.



VISUAL AIDS SUCH AS GPS APPS **MUST BE SECURELY MOUNTED** AND NOT OBSCURE VIEW FOR DRIVER.



GENERALLY CONSISTENT BETWEEN ALL JURISDICTIONS



NO SCREENS can be visible to the driver for videos, video messaging, internet browsing, apps etc. Rules apply to mobile phones, tablets, smart watches etc.



Usage while parked or stationary



MOST JURISDICTIONS ALLOW HANDHELD USE IF

NOT PERMITTED
ALL JURISDICTIONS



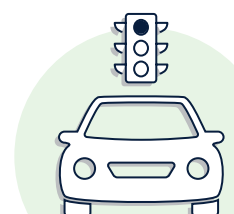
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PARKED OFF THE ROAD



IN PARK GEAR AND BRAKE ON



USING DEVICE WHILE STATIONARY IN TRAFFIC

*Vic and NSW do not require this.