



DWD Pledge

Personal Pledge – No Texting While Driving

Text messaging is increasingly becoming the way we communicate in our 24/7 world. Unfortunately, some people may be texting while behind the wheel of a moving vehicle.

A study by Virginia Tech Transportation Institute found those who text while driving are 23 times more likely to be involved in some type of safety critical event as compared to those drivers who don't text while driving.

You can help make America's roads safer by pledging to stop driving while distracted. Please read and understand these tips, and then make it official by signing the personal pledge.

Be smart. Never text while driving. No text message is worth being distracted and getting into an accident.

Be caring. Don't send a text to anyone when you know they are driving, or to anyone you know is likely behind the wheel.

Be in control. Remember it's your phone. **You** decide if and when to send and read texts. Consider turning your phone off, setting it to silent or even set it aside before hitting the road.

Be an example. Don't send the wrong signal by texting while you drive. Your family and friends will follow your example.



I, _____, hereby pledge to be a safer driver by not texting while driving. Beginning immediately, I will make a commitment to drive as responsibly as possible.

Remember, no matter what the message is...it can wait.

Use

Print this form, sign it, and be smart, caring and in control of your life. Feel free to distribute it to others, and get as many people on board as you can.

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