

INFORM AND PROTECT

LET'S SAIL SAFELY



**Random alcohol and drug use checks
may be carried out even in the absence
of any obvious signs of consumption.**

(Decree No. 2025-50 of 15 January 2025 – Article R.4274-63
of the Transport Code)

WHO CAN BE CHECKED?

The boat operator and
any crew member, for
all types of boats:
recreational,
professional, or even
those without a license.

HOW DOES A CHECK TAKE PLACE?

- Alcohol and drug tests, just like on the road
- Random screenings
- Medical samples taken if needed

THRESHOLDS DURING CHECKS:

- 0.5 g/L of blood or 0.25 mg/L of exhaled air
- From 0.8 g/L of blood or 0.4 mg/L of exhaled air: serious offense
- **Drugs: zero tolerance**

SANCTIONS AND GOOD CONDUCT ADVICE



SANCTIONS

IMMEDIATE SANCTIONS*

- Immobilisation of the boat, detention and temporary suspension, for a maximum period of one year, of the operating license or the crew member's qualification certificate

CRIMINAL SANCTIONS**

- Suspension of the operating license or certificate for up to three years
- Two years' imprisonment and a €4,500 fine (three years if transporting dangerous goods)
- Permanent withdrawal of the operating license or certificate
- Additional penalties: community service, prohibition from applying for an operating license



Refusing to undergo a check is an offense and carries the same penalties as testing positive for alcohol or drugs.



ADVICE

SAIL RESPONSIBLY

To sail safely, you must be fully alert:

- Check your condition before taking the helm
- Avoid any consumption before and during navigation

** Article R.4271-5 of the transport code ** Article R.4274-63 of the transport code*