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# Breath Alcohol Analyzer

A **breath Alcohol analyzer** is commonly used by law enforcers to measure the breath alcohol content (BAC) of a subject. The law enforcer will ask a person of interest to blow into the device to derive a reading. A result of 0.08 and above is generally considered illegal in most states of the U.S.

However, not all states accept breath analyzers as viable evidence for the crime. South Dakota, for example, relies only on blood tests for their accuracy and disregards any form of field sobriety testing as a cause for arrest. On the other hand, the state of Idaho is more lenient in accepting results from preliminary breath testers. These instruments are usually hand-held in form and less accurate than the larger instruments but still produce results with high precision.

There are a number of brands accepted for use of law enforcement. The United States National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has a Conforming Products List that shows the approved instruments, including Breathalyzer.

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