## DRINK DRIVE AWARENESS SCHEME Michele Binnie Alcohol Support LTD



### BACKGROUND.....

- Devised by the Department of Transport/ Driving Standards Agency
- Offered throughout UK Court System since January 2000

• Approved by Department of Transport to run scheme in NE of Scotland

## AIM OF AWARENESS SCHEME...

- To provide candidates an opportunity to look at.....
- Alcohol Awareness
- Alcohol and the body
- Reasons for drinking, and drink driving
- Consequences of drink driving

## **BENEFITS OF ATTENDING....**

- Increased alcohol awareness
- 2 to 3 times less likely to be convicted of a subsequent drink driving offence.
- How to calculate alcohol units.

- Risk of offending or reoffending is reduced
- Consequences of drinking and driving
- May highlight alcohol issues and signposted confidential advice and support.

## HOW MUCH IS 1 UNIT OF ALCOHOL????

1 X <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> PINT OF LAGER/BEER ( 3.5% TO 4% VOL)

1 X 125ML OF WINE (8% VOL)

1 X 25ML OF SPIRIT ( 37.5% VOL)

#### HOW TO CALCULATE.....

# ABV% X VOL

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## ALCOHOL ABSORPTION.....

- It takes the liver 20 minutes to start processing alcohol but it only takes 5 minutes for it to be deposited into your bloodstream.
- And 1 unit of alcohol will take approximately 1 hour to process through your body and be alcohol free!!

THE MORNING AFTER, R U SAFE TO DRIVE??

1 PINT OF LAGER AT 4% = 2 UNITS ALCOHOL ABSORPTION = 2-3 HOURS

1 BOTTLE OF WINE AT 12% = 9 UNITS ALCOHOL ABSORPTION = 9 – 10 HOURS

1 BOTTLE OF SPIRIT AT 37.5% = 26 UNITS ALCOHOL ABSORPTION = 26-27 HOURS

## QUOTES FROM PARTICIPANTS...

- "This course was very interesting and made me rethink my drinking habits" (male 35 yrs)
- "very beneficial with unit calculation and should be part of driving test" (female 42 yrs)
- "Course was good fun, met a few people and gained new knowledge of drink and what it does" (male 19yrs)
- "Great stuff well worth the time" (male 56 yrs).
- "Enjoyed the course and it had a lot of benefits for the future" (female 22 yrs)

CAN U CALCULATE??? YOU CANNOT CALCULATE IF ITS SAFE TO DRIVE..... SO DONT DRINK AND DRIVE...

# MAKES YOU THINK.... ANY QUESTIONS?