



# NEW TRAFFIC LAW

Dear Client:

Beginning March 2010, a new Traffic Law entered into force establishing more severity in sanctions and fines. Take a moment to read carefully this information which summarizes the more serious infractions as well as the corresponding measures and punishments that are established.

You may ask any of our Customer Service representatives to clarify any doubt in relation to this new legislation and associate penalties, or to know the complete document of law.

## Prison Penalty and Retention of Vehicle

- Reckless driving (illegal competitions, alcohol with more than 0,75 grams per liter of blood and speed superior to 150 Km/h), murder and/or injuries. Note: This infraction would imply charges for lucrum cessans and administrative-legal expenses resulting from the confiscation of the rented vehicle.

**€ 227.000 (\$400 approx.) + 30% PANI\* revenue seal**

- Reckless driving – Category A (alcohol concentration in blood equal or superior to 0,5 grams per liter of blood and speed superior to 120 Km/hr and false overtaking)
- Drive without driver's license or an non-valid driver's license
- Not using safety devices for children (booster and baby chair). This applies for children under 12 years old.

**€ 170.250 (\$300 approx.) + 30% PANI revenue stamp**

- Reckless driving - Category B (to exceed on 20 Km/hr or more the speed limits stated on the signals and drive at more than 25km/hr when passing by schools, hospitals, and clinics.
- Ignore fixed traffic signs, red traffic light, or turn round
- To use the cell phone without the free hands device
- Not to use the safety belt

**€ 113.500 (\$200 approx.) + 30% PANI revenue stamp**

- Overtake on the right side on 2-lane two-way roads
- Stop at an intersection and block traffic
- Drive a car on the beach
- Transport waste on any type of vehicle and throw trash on the road

**€ 90.800 (\$160 approx.) + 30% PANI stamp**

- To violate the right of way
- To take an excess of passengers
- To park at non-authorized places or parking spaces for the disabled

**€ 68.100 (\$120 approx.) + 30% PANI stamp**

- Not to keep the distance from the vehicle that goes ahead.
- To drive backwards
- Drive a car without having a valid license
- To Drive, for more than 3 months, without obtaining the Costa Rican license (this applies only to foreigners).

**€ 45.400 (\$80 approx.) + 30% PANI stamp**

- To drive a vehicle without bringing the driver's license.

## IMPORTANT

*All penalties that originate during the rental will be charged at the end of the term.*

*On a daily basis, we verify online with COSEVI if our vehicles have infractions.*

*Depending on the infringement, there could be additional charges for lucrum cessans and administrative-legal expenses resulting from the confiscation of the rented vehicle.*

Thank you for your cooperation and for driving responsibly.



\* PANI, after Patronato Nacional de la Infancia (National Patronage of the Infancy)