

Mock Interview

TEAM: Thanks guys! The Florida Department of Transportation is reminding fans to drive sober or designate a sober driver to avoid being arrested for impaired driving. *(Insert FDOT personnel name)* from FDOT says that you should make transportation part of your game plan since judgment is one of the first things that alcohol and drugs impair. *(Insert FDOT personnel name)* explain the “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” campaign to us.

FDOT: Hundreds of Floridians are killed in impaired driving crashes every year. The “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” campaign is designed to educate the public on the dangers and the consequences that a DUI can have on victims and those who are arrested. One of the primary misconceptions that officers hear when arresting drivers for DUI, is that the individual doesn’t believe that they are impaired. So it’s important for people to understand that alcohol and drugs impair their judgment. Another unfortunate situation that we see quite often is that the least impaired person of the group is driving, but they are still impaired. They are sort of trying to do the right thing but the consequences, whether it be a crash or an arrest, are the same regardless of the intent. So it’s critical that transportation plans be made prior to the first drink or going out.

TEAM: I’ve heard that on top of the embarrassment of going to jail, a DUI can cost thousands of dollars and your driver license will be suspended. Can you tell us about some of the consequences of a DUI?

FDOT: That’s correct, a DUI will cost you around \$10,000 and your license will be suspended. It can also take a toll on family, friends, and coworkers who will need to help you for months until everything is resolved. But it’s completely avoidable, if you take simple preventative steps needed to make the transportation arrangements beforehand and remember to Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.

TEAM: Again that’s *(Insert FDOT personnel name)* from the Florida Department of Transportation. You can find out more about Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over at www.nhtsa.gov/drivesober. Guys back up to you!