

LAW	PENALTY	SC CODE OF LAWS SECTION
STATE LAW - ALCOHOL		
Purchase, consumption or possession of beer, wine or alcoholic liquors under the age of 21	Fine of \$100 - \$200 and/or imprisonment for not more than 30 days. Required completion alcohol prevention program.	§ 63-19-2440 § 63-19-2450
Lying or providing false information about age for purpose of purchasing beer, wine or alcoholic liquors	Fine of \$100 - \$200 and/or imprisonment for not more than 30 days.	§ 61-4-60
Open container of beer or wine in motor vehicle	Fine up to \$100 or imprisonment for not more than 30 days.	§ 61-4-110
Purchase of beer or wine for underage person	Fine of \$200 - \$300 and/or imprisonment for not more than 30 days for 1st offense. Fine of \$400 - \$500 and/or imprisonment for not more than 30 days for 2nd or subsequent offense.	§ 61-4-80
Transfer of beer or wine to underage person	Fine of \$200 - \$300 and/or imprisonment for not more than 30 days for 1st offense. Fine of \$400 - \$500 and/or imprisonment for not more than 30 days for 2nd or subsequent offense.	§ 61-4-90 see also § 61-6-4070
Altering and Fraudulent Use of Driver's License	Fine up to \$200 or imprisonment for not more than 30 days for 1st offense. Fine up to \$500 or imprisonment for not more than 6 months for 2nd or subsequent offense.	§ 56-1-510
Operation a Motor Vehicle while Under the Influence of Drugs or	Fines and/or imprisonment vary depending on number of offenses. Also suspension of license and	§ 56-5-2930 § 56-5-2933

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Alcohol or Driving with an Unlawful Alcohol Concentration	required completion of Alcohol and Drug Safety program pursuant to § 56-5-2990.	
	Can also require installation of ignition interlock device for subsequent offender	§ 56-5-2941

Felony Driving Under the Influence causing bodily harm or death to someone while driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs or any combination thereof	Fine of \$5,100 - \$10,100 and mandatory imprisonment for 30 days - 15 years when great bodily injury results.	§ 56-5-2945
	Fine of \$10,100 - \$25,100 and mandatory imprisonment for 1 to 25 years when death results.	
	Can also require installation of ignition interlock device for subsequent offender	§ 56-5-2941

Contributing to Delinquency of a Minor - It is against the law for any person over 18 years of age to knowingly and willfully influence a minor to violate a law or ordinance.	Fine up to \$3,000 and/or imprisonment for not more than 3 years	§ 16-17-490
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Public Disorderly Conduct	Fine up to \$100 or imprisonment up to 30 days.	§ 16-17-530
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STATE LAW - DRUGS

Possession, Distribution, Delivering of Controlled Substances (i.e., cocaine, crack, marijuana, etc.)	Penalty varies depending on circumstances of arrest, the drug type and the amount.	§ 44-53-370
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Possession manufacturing and trafficking of methamphetamine and cocaine based and other controlled substances	Penalty varies depending on circumstances of the arrest.	§ 44-53-375
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Distribution of Controlled Substance within Proximity of a School	Penalty varies depending on circumstances and drug. Fines can exceed \$10,000 and/or imprisonment for up to 15 years.	§ 44-53-445
Possession or Sale of Drug Paraphernalia	Civil fine up to \$500 for individual. Fine up to \$50,000 for corporations	§ 44-53-391
Exposing of Child to Methamphetamine	1st Offense - up to \$5,000 fine and/or 5 years imprisonment 2nd or Subsequent Offense - up to \$10,000 fine and/or up to 10 years imprisonment.	§ 44-53-378
Disposal of waste from production of methamphetamine	1st Offense - up to \$5,000 fine and/or 5 years imprisonment 2nd or Subsequent Offense - up to \$10,000 fine and/or up to 10 years imprisonment.	§ 44-53-376

FEDERAL LAW - DRUGS

Summary of federal laws related to illicit drugs: Federal law prohibits the possession and distribution of illegal drugs. The severity of sanction imposed depends on the type and quantity of drugs, prior convictions, and whether death or serious injury occurred. Penalties can be increased for offenses which involve distribution to minors. Federal laws require or permit forfeiture of personal or real property used to illegally possess, facilitate possession, transport or conceal a controlled substance. A person's ability to purchase a firearm or receive federal benefits such as student loans, grants, contracts or professional or commercial licenses may be revoked or denied as a result of drug conviction.

For more detailed information about federal drug possession and trafficking penalties, see <http://www.justice.gov/dea/druginfo/ftp3.shtml> .