Ignition Interlock Program

Colonel Sam Powell
Wyoming Highway Patrol

(Non-Engineer)
I. A. C. A. Y. N.
History

• Ignition Interlock statutes enacted in 2006 Legislative Session
• W.S. 31-7-401 thru 31-7-405
• Effective 7-1-06
• Rule making process began as soon as act was signed.
31-7-402

- “A person whose driver’s license has been suspended … and who has served at least 45 days of the suspension period may apply to the department for an ignition interlock restricted license for the balance of the suspension period or one year, whichever is greater.”
Rule and Regulation

- Certifications for Installers
- Performance Standards for Devices (established by NHTSA)
- Data Recording Requirements
- Installation Standards
- Record Keeping and Reporting Standards
- Required Monthly Calibration
- Enforcement (Suspension Re-instatement)
Wyoming Facts

- 408,000 Total Licensed Drivers
- 9,100 Currently Under Suspension
- 1540 Suspended for 1st Offense DUI
- 672 Suspended for 2nd or Subsequent DUI
  (this is currently the only group offered the Ignition Interlock Program)
Current Scope of Program

- Must apply in person
- 50.00 Re-instatement fee
- SR-22 Required (High Risk Insurance)
- Ignition Interlock Restriction on License
- Currently 385 Installed
- 47 Licenses have been Re-suspended due to Circumvention
Law Enforcement Issues

- Education on Statute
- Information about how systems work
- Department Practices
- Violation is Treated as Restriction Violation and not a Suspension Violation
- Complacency