

WHITE EARTH TRIBAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

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The White Earth Police Department would like to remind the community about a few things regarding Cannabis and DWI's.

Much like alcohol it is still illegal to:

- Open cannabis packaging, use marijuana, or consume cannabis products in a vehicle
- Have an unsealed container of marijuana in the vehicle
- Drive while impaired by marijuana or any cannabis product

Although there is no specific legal limit for cannabis impairment like the $0.08\,BAC$ for alcohol, Delta-9 THC causes impairment, which can last for hours.

Driving high can:

- Slow your reaction time
- Cause difficulties in road tracking and lane-position variability
- Decrease divided attention and cognitive performance
- Relax inhibitions and impair decision-making

Active delta-9 THC causes impairment. Its metabolites stay in the body longer but do not cause impairment. Any active THC can lead to a DWI if impairment is observed and documented. Law enforcement officers are trained to detect impairment from drugs and alcohol. They may use Drug Recognition Evaluators (DREs) to assist in investigations.

Efforts are underway to develop methods to detect cannabis-only impairment, including an oral fluid roadside testing pilot project.

No matter the substance, if you are impaired, do not drive. Stay safe and arrive alive.