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Dear all

Please can you disseminate to your teams, that with immediate effect officers will not breathalyse drivers (during OP TALLA). If MOP's are involved in an RTC then they should arrest for being unfit through drink or drugs only if they have suspicion that they are drunk or unfit. If there is no suspicion then that just needs to be documented on the log.

If an officers stops a suspected drunk driver then they revert to the unfit procedure i.e. arrest without SL500:-

'Any person who, when driving or attempting to drive a vehicle (other than a wheelchair), or when riding, leading or driving or attempting to ride, lead or drive an animal, or when in charge of a vehicle (other than a wheelchair) or animal, on a road or other public place, is unfit to drive, or is unfit to have control of the animal, through drink or drugs, shall be guilty of an offence.'

They then follow the unfit procedure in the booklet.

Also from now on the intoxalyser is not to be used:-

Article 30 (3) states:-

'A requirement under this Article to provide a specimen of blood or urine can only be made at a police station or at a hospital; and it cannot be made at a police station unless:-

- a) the Police Officer making the requirement has reasonable cause to believe that for medical reasons a specimen of breath cannot be provided or should not be required;
- b) at the time the requirement is made a device or a reliable device is not available at the police station or it is then for any other reason not practicable to use such a device there;

CJD will provide more informed guidance in due course.

[REDACTED] please could you disseminate to all Honorary Colleagues.

Many thanks

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