

Partial Cell Phone Restriction Action Plan

DRAFT Action Plan – Partial Cell Phone Restriction

CEA # 7	Alert
Strategy # 1	Enact Partial Cell Phone Restriction Legislation
Targets	Young drivers under the age of 18, and school bus drivers
Description	Enact legislation that would restrict the use of cell phones by persons under the age of 18, and drivers of school buses.
Actions	<p>Step 1 – Review data to support this strategy.</p> <p>Step 2 – Recommend VSA amendment(s) to Administration drafts persons to accomplish this strategy.</p> <p>Step 3 – Monitor Legislative progress.</p>
Time Frame	Enact legislation by the end of the 2008 Legislative session.
Output	Legislation that restricts the use of cell phones by persons under age 18, resulting in a reduction of motor vehicle crashes and resulting injuries by this age group, plus a restriction on cell phone use by school bus drivers that would eliminate a distraction to this group of motorists.
Data Needed	Cell phone usage by age groups from observational surveys as well as data collected from other states that have enacted this legislation.
Data Collection (how, by whom)	Resources for this information include observational surveys conducted by Vermont's law enforcement community, Governor's Highway Safety Program, VAOT and the Vermont Justice Research Center.
Performance Measure	Motor vehicle crashes and resulting injuries to persons under the age of 18 are reduced as well as the elimination of a distraction to school bus drivers.
Funding	To be determined