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Traffic Enforcement is the First step: The Second has to follow

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Agenda

- Introduction of the speaker
- Traffic Medicine and Psychology within German Legislation
- Assessments in Germany
- Medical-Psychological Assessment (MPA) in Germany
- Conclusions



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Important regulating laws

- Road Traffic Act Straßenverkehrsgesetz (StVG)
- Driving License Regulation Fahrerlaubnis-Verordnung (FeV)
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 - § 2: driving license
 - § 3: withdrawal
 - § 4: demerit point system
 - § 21 30: penalty regulations





Important regulating laws: Medical-Psychological Assesment (MPA)

Driving License Regulation – Fahrerlaubnis-Verordnung

§ 10: exception of minimum age (MPA)

§ 11: driving aptitude (MPA)

§ 12: eyesight (medical assessment; MA)

§ 13: driving aptitude and alcohol offenses (MPA)

§ 14: driving aptitude and drug offenses (MPA)

§ 46: withdrawal

Annex 4: list of illnesses, handicaps and impairments influencing driving aptitude



Assessment

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- bus and taxi drivers: Medical-Psychological Screening
- drivers under the influence of alcohol (> 1.6 BAC) and/or drugs: Medical-Psychological Assessment (after driving licence withdrawal)
- drivers with multiple traffic offenses: Medical-Psychological Assessment (after driving licence withdrawal)
- handicapped drivers: Medical Assessment



Purpose of the Medical-Psychological Assessment (MPA)

- Psychological-Medical Assessments:
 - opportunity to make a statement if somebody will be a responsible driver again
- This Psychological-Medical Assessment allows the experts to make a very reliable forecast-decision
 - less than 10 % of those who got there license back after a positive assessment became detected as traffic offenders again

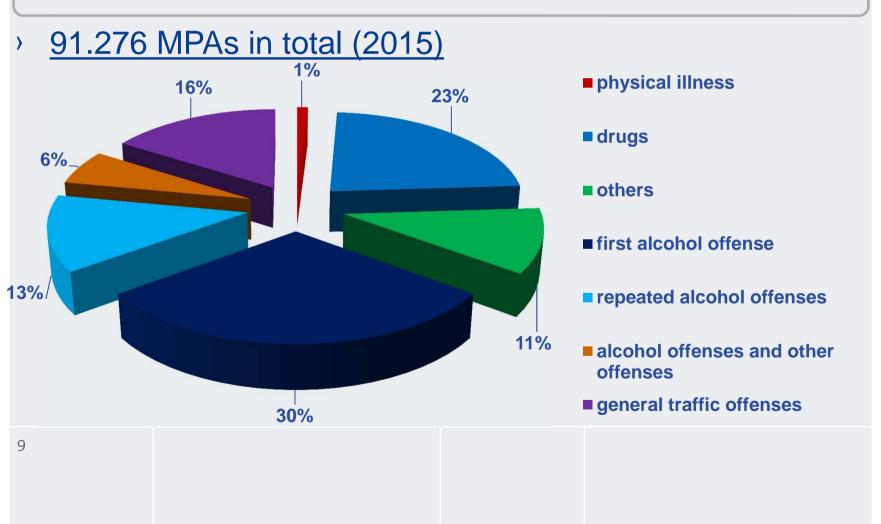


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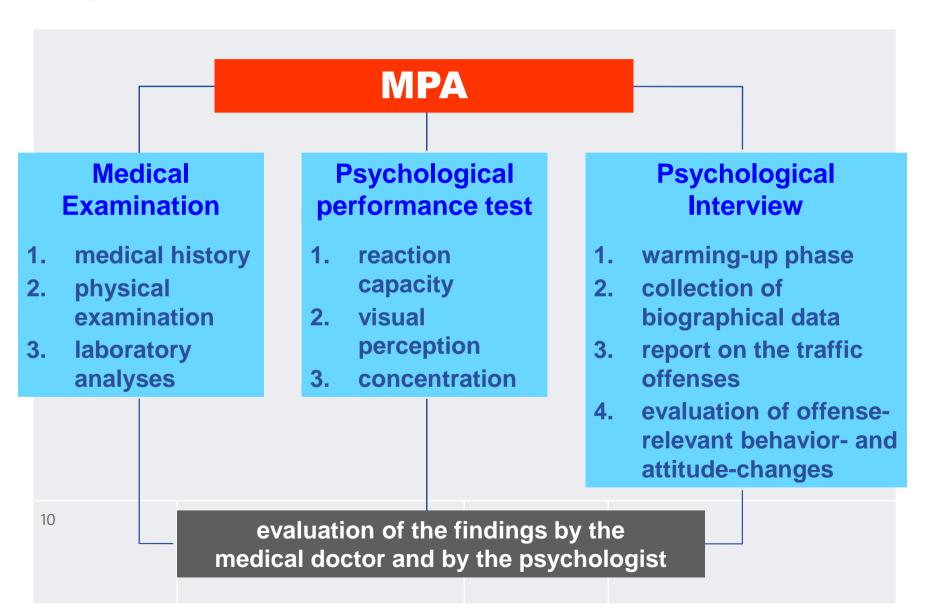
- Dual function of the Medical-Psychological Assessment:
 - to ensure the society that those who are high-riskdrivers (e.g. > 1.6 BAC) are kept away from motorized driving
 - to give those who proved that they changed their behavior and risk potential a chance to be a part of motorized traffic again













Conclusions

- The Medical-Psychological Assessment (MPA) is a highly reliable instrument
- The MPA is an instrument for high-risk drivers after the withdrawal of their driving licence
- Two key-functions:
- protection of the society from high-risk drivers
- chance for traffic-offenders to get back their driving licence



Thank you very much for your attention

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