

# BC Distracted Driving Law

Here's the latest<sup>1)</sup> [document](#) regarding distracted driving law in BC, which includes the use of ham radio.

For us, the relevant section is:

“Section 9 (“hand microphone” is defined in section 3(2)):

9 A person may use a hand microphone while driving or operating a motor vehicle on a highway if

(a) the device is within easy reach of the driver’s seat, and

(b) is securely fixed to the motor vehicle or worn securely on the person’s body in a manner that does not obstruct the person’s view of the front or sides of the motor vehicle or interfere with the safety or operating equipment of the motor vehicle.”

I keep a printed copy in the car in case I ever get pulled over for using my radio.

RAC also has a summary of [the law in different provinces](#).

<sup>1)</sup>

This consolidation is current to January 12, 2021.