

**Stages of acute alcoholic influence/intoxication<sup>1</sup>**

<b>EHTYL ALCOHOL LEVEL Percent by Weight, Blood (Urine)</b>	<b>STAGE OF ALCOHOL INFLUENCE</b>	<b>CLINIAL SIGNS/SYMPTOMS</b>
0.01– 0.05 (0.01 – 0.07)	Sobriety	No apparent influence. Behavior nearly normal by ordinary observation. Slight changes detectable by special tests.
0.03– 0.12 (0.04 – 0.26)	Euphoria	Mild euphoria, sociability, talkativeness. Increased self-confidence; decreased inhibitions. Diminution of attention, judgment, and control. Loss of efficiency in finer performance tests.
0.09 - 0.25 (0.12 – 0.34)	Excitement	Emotional instability; decreased inhibitions. Loss of critical judgment. Impairment of memory and comprehension. Decreased sensory response; increased reaction time. Some muscular incoordination.
0.18 – 0.30 (0.24 – 0.41)	Confusion	Disorientation, mental confusion; dizziness. Exaggerated emotional states (fear, anger, grief, etc.) Disturbance of sensation (diplopia, etc.) and of perception of color, form, motion, dimensions. Decreased pain sense. Impaired balance; muscular incoordination; staggering gait, slurred speech.
0.27 – 0.40 (0.37-0.54)	Stupor	Apathy; general inertia, approaching paralysis. Markedly decreased response to stimuli. Marked muscular incoordination; inability to stand or walk. Vomiting; incontinence of urine and feces. Impaired consciousness; sleep or stupor.
0.35 – 0.50 (0.47 – 0.67)	Coma	Complete unconsciousness; coma; anesthesia. Depressed or abolished reflexes. Subnormal temperature. Incontinence of urine and feces. Embarrassment of circulation and respiration. Possible death.
0.45 + (0.60+)	Death	Death from respiratory paralysis.

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