PA TITLE 75 CHAPTER 33 PA.C.S. § 3316.1

Pennsylvania's hands-free driving law. (commonly known as Paul Miller's Law)

LAW IN EFFECT

As of **June 6, 2026**, citations and fines may now be issued.

PENALTY

- The offense is a **summary offense.**
- The fine is **$50** (not including any court costs or other applicable fees).

Youngsville PD will be enforcing the prohibited section.
We are being proactive, so we do **NOT** have any Paul (Law) incidents. Our community has many small children on their bikes, scooters and walking near the roadways. Looking at a phone for a split second could be fatal.

LAW PROHIBITS

While driving, you **may not use an interactive mobile** device by:

- Holding the phone in your hand.
- Support the phone with another part of your body (such as your shoulder).
- Dialing or answering by pressing **more than a single button.**
- Reaching for the phone in a way that causes you to leave your normal seated, seat-belted driving position.

COUNTS AS DRIVING

The law defines driving broadly. You are considered driving even when your vehicle is:

- Stopped in traffic.
- Waiting at a red light or stop sign.
- Temporarily stopped because of congestion or another delay.

You are **not** considered driving only if you have:

- Pulled off the roadway (or to the side of the highway), **and**
- Stopped in a place where the vehicle can safely remain stationary.

EXCEPTION

You may use an interactive mobile device if it is necessary to contact:

- Law Enforcement, or
- Other emergency services,
- to prevent injury to people or property.

ALLOWED

- Using hands-free calling through your vehicle or a Bluetooth headset, provided you are not holding the phone.
- Pressing a single button to answer or initiate a hands-free call (assuming the phone remains mounted or otherwise not held).
- Using the phone after safely pulling completely off the roadway and stopping.

PROHIBITED

- Holding the phone to talk on speaker.
- Holding the phone to view GPS.
- Holding the phone to change music.
- Typing, scrolling, or using apps while stopped at a red light.