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## BESTPOINT

### Criteria for BEST Practice Demerit POINT Systems

Project details	
Domain	Rules and enforcement
Duration	from 15/09/2010 until 14/09/2012
Website	<a href="http://www.bestpoint-project.eu/">http://www.bestpoint-project.eu/</a>
Other sources	 <a href="#">Overview of their main features and expert opinions</a> (1,5MB)  <a href="#">Identification of the essential features for an effective Demerit Point System</a> (1,5MB)  <a href="#">The Bestpoint Handbook</a> (1,1MB)

Various kinds of Demerit Point Systems (DPS) have been developed and implemented in European countries, aimed at tackling repeat offences in road transport by acting as a deterrent and providing sanctioning. The impact of a DPS on the number of crashes is often reported to be significant but temporary. In this context the objective of the EU project BestPoint was to establish a set of recommended practices that would result in a more effective and sustainable contribution of DPS's to road safety.

The handbook provides a concise overview of these recommended practices and is the final result of the BestPoint project. It is based on evaluation studies, psychological and learning theories, expert experiences and considerations, and information about current practices.

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