

Speaker 1: Do not blow has been common advice given by criminal defense attorneys for a long time, and generally it is always in a person's best interest to refuse a breath test. The problem here in Texas now is that law enforcement is starting to use no refusal programs more and more often. When dealing with any time a person is suspected of a DWI, they need to know that they are under no obligation to perform any field sobriety test, they're under no obligation to make any incriminating statements to law enforcement officers, and they're under no obligation to take that breath test.

However a person does need to be aware that under certain circumstances, if they refuse that breath test, law enforcement might be able to forcefully take that person's blood. They also need to be aware of the potential driver's license consequences that come with refusing to take these tests. A person can have their driver's license suspended up to 6 months for refusing a breath test. So from the moment the sirens and the lights come on, it's important to be in contact with a good criminal defense attorney like myself that can advise you, "This is what you need to be doing."