



# Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office

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### Saturation Patrols Focused on High Summer Speeds SLOW DOWN – DRIVE SOBER – STAY ALIVE



Milwaukee, WI – Sheriff Richard Schmidt implemented saturation patrols across all shifts to focus on motorists' tendencies to increase speeds over the limit during warm weather months. The random patrols will continue to clamp down on reckless driving and dangerously high speeding.

Sheriff Schmidt said, "High summer speeds and reckless driving are resulting in high enforcement. We are committed to getting the motoring public safely to their destinations! I promised this and it is a reality."

Last week, from 05/22/18 to 05/30/18, 335 traffic citations were issued, 218 for speeding:

11-15 mph over:	23	30-34 mph over:	8
16-19 mph over:	73	45-49 mph over:	1
20-24 mph over:	72	Unreasonable-imprudent speed:	10
25-29 mph over:	30		

Crashes YTD – 2016; 3 fatalities    OWI arrests YTD: 376 OWI; 35 OWI/Drugs

The focus of the saturation patrols is to reduce crashes, serious injury and property damage, and is not based on generating revenue. Construction zone safety is also compromised by speeding, reckless drivers. Motorists need to obey Wisconsin's MOVE OVER LAW, moving over a lane for emergency vehicles and tow trucks, or slowing to under 40 mph if unable to safely change lanes.

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