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Deputies Stop Man Driving 99 mph in 55 mph Zone **Deputies Issue 202 Traffic Citations During Speed Saturation Enforcement**

Milwaukee, WI – A sheriff’s deputy working the speed saturation patrol stopped a driver going 99 mph in a 55 mph zone this week shortly after 8:00 p.m. on I-94 southbound in Oak Creek. When asked why he was going at such a high rate of speed, the man said he was running late to get to a soccer game. The 26-year-old man did not have a valid driver’s license and was cited for Operating After Suspension in addition to a citation for speeding 44 mph over the limit.

Sheriff Richard Schmidt said, “this driver’s selfish and reckless behavior put other motorists on the freeway at risk, when he shouldn’t have been in the driver’s seat at all as a suspended driver. It’s better to arrive late to your destination, than not at all.”

Sheriff Schmidt implemented the saturation patrols initiative across all shifts in September.

From 07/26/18 to 08/01/18, 202 traffic citations were issued, 138 for speeding:

11-15 mph over:	3	30-34 mph over:	5
16-19 mph over:	39	40-44 mph over:	2
20-24 mph over:	63		
25-29 mph over:	16	Unreasonable/Imprudent Speed:	10

Crashes YTD – 2870; 6 fatalities OWI arrests YTD: 525 OWI (47 were 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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