



# Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Summary of Saturation Patrols for Speed Enforcement** **SLOW DOWN – DRIVE SOBER – STAY ALIVE**



Milwaukee, WI – Sheriff Richard Schmidt has ordered on-going, random saturation patrols on the Milwaukee County freeway system to combat reckless driving and dangerously high speeding. The Wisconsin State Patrol has partnered with the Sheriff's Office on this initiative.

**Statement from Sheriff Schmidt: "War of Wills. Obey the law or need for speed? Reckless driving wrecks cars, causes serious injury and death. Fight the urge...Slow Down!"**

**This week, since last Thursday, 149 speed citations were issued:**

<b>11-15 mph over:</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>16-19 mph over:</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>20-24 mph over:</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>25-29 mph over:</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>30-34 mph over:</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>35-39 mph over:</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>45-49 mph over:</b>	<b>2</b>

**Unreasonable-imprudent speed: 5**

**Crashes YTD – 1049; 3 fatalities OWI arrest YTD: 203 OWI; 17 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**

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**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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