



Checkpoint Strikeforce Fact Sheet 2009

- Checkpoint Strikeforce is a regional sobriety checkpoint campaign aimed at arresting DUI offenders and deterring those who would otherwise drink and drive without the presence of high visibility enforcement.
- The campaign involves weekly DUI checkpoints statewide from the July 4th weekend through the New Year's Eve holiday. During holiday times, the number of checkpoints are increased and saturation patrols are added.
- This is the 8th year that Delaware is participating in Checkpoint Strikeforce. It is coordinated by the Delaware Office of Highway Safety.
- In 2002, there were 8 participating agencies that conducted 44 sobriety checkpoints and made 108 DUI arrests.
- In 2008, there were 20 participating agencies that conducted 103 sobriety checkpoints and made 559 DUI arrests.
- In addition to DUI arrests, officers also find wanted individuals, recover stolen vehicles, and make drug and felony arrests.
- In 2009 Participating agencies will include, the NcCo DUI Task Force, Delaware State Police, Dover Police, Clayton Police, Georgetown Police, Harrington Police, Laurel Police, Milford Police, Millsboro Police, Rehoboth Beach Police, Seaford Police and Smyrna Police.
- DUI checkpoints are conducted only in high crash locations according to a Standardized Operating Procedure.
- The states of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia also participate in the regional *Checkpoint Strikeforce* campaign.