

# Ohio State Highway Patrol

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### **State Highway Patrol plans OVI sobriety checkpoints**

COLUMBUS - The Ohio State Highway Patrol announced today that troopers will operate both regular and low-manpower OVI sobriety checkpoints to deter and intercept impaired drivers this week.

The counties where the checkpoints will take place will be announced the day prior to each checkpoint, and the locations will be announced the morning of each checkpoint.

“Based on provisional data, there were 362 OVI-related fatal crashes in which 395 people were killed last year in Ohio,” Colonel Richard H. Collins, superintendent of the Patrol, said. “State troopers made 25,512 OVI arrests last year in combating these dangerous drivers. OVI checkpoints are designed to not only deter impaired driving, but to proactively remove these dangerous drivers from our roadways.”

If you plan to consume alcohol, designate a driver or make other travel arrangements before you drink. Don’t let another life be lost for the senseless and selfish act of getting behind the wheel impaired.

Operational support for the sobriety checkpoints will be provided by local law enforcement agencies.

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