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## **21 Arrested for DUI First Weekend of October** ***More checkpoints and patrols scheduled this weekend***

**Dover** – Delaware law enforcement officers statewide arrested 21 individuals for Driving Under the Influence (DUI) of alcohol and/or drugs during the first weekend of October. The arrests were the result of five sobriety checkpoints conducted on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> by the New Castle County DUI Task Force, and the Delaware State Police Troops 2, 3, 5 and 9. This brings the total of DUI arrests under the 2009 *Checkpoint Strikeforce* campaign to 251.

In addition to the 21 DUI arrests, officers cited three minors for underage drinking violations, apprehended 4 wanted individuals, made 8 drug arrests, 5 felony arrests, issued 5 seat belt citations, 3 child restraint citations, and 72 citations for various other traffic violations.

Four additional sobriety checkpoints are scheduled to occur the weekend of October 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. The Seaford Police Department will also conduct DUI saturation patrols on Friday October 9<sup>th</sup>. The checkpoints are scheduled for:

Friday Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>– Newport (NcCo DUI Task Force)  
Clayton (Clayton PD)  
Laurel (Laurel PD)

Saturday Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> - Milford (Milford PD)

The 2009 *Checkpoint Strikeforce* campaign launched this year on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Checkpoint Strikeforce* is a regional sobriety checkpoint campaign aimed at arresting DUI offenders and deterring others from drinking and driving.

For weekly and ongoing campaign statistical updates on the *Checkpoint Strikeforce* campaign, please visit our website at [www.ohs.delaware.gov](http://www.ohs.delaware.gov) and click on the *Checkpoint*

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