



BOONE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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Media Release

Incident: Safety Checkpoint
Location: Boone County, MO
Date: August 12th – 14th, 2011

Suspended, revoked and unlicensed drivers operating motor vehicles on the public roadways of Boone County continues to be a problem. Often the violator's driver's license is suspended or revoked for repeated hazardous moving violations or for not maintaining financial responsibility (motor vehicle insurance). A large number of these suspended and revoked drivers have demonstrated a lack of discipline and safety behind the wheel of a motor vehicle and their privilege to operate a motor vehicle has been taken from them.

From July 1, 2010 thru August 1, 2011, the Boone County Sheriff's Department cited 383 people for operating a motor vehicle on roadways in Boone County while their driver's license was suspended or revoked. During that same time period, the Boone County Sheriff's Department also cited 135 people for operating a motor vehicle on the roadways of Boone County without having a valid driver's license and issued 597 citations for not having proof of financial responsibility while operating a motor vehicle.

In an effort to address the suspended, revoked, unlicensed and uninsured drivers operating motor vehicles on the public roadways of Boone County, the Boone County Sheriff's Department will conduct a Safety Checkpoint in Boone County, MO, between August 12, 2011 and August 14, 2011. The safety checkpoint will be conducted during daylight hours. The checkpoint location is not random and has been chosen based on the number of suspended, revoked, unlicensed and uninsured drivers cited for these violations in the area.

Motorists encountering the safety checkpoint will be asked to present their driver's license and proof of financial responsibility (motor vehicle insurance). Law-abiding motorists encountering the safety checkpoint should expect minimal delay. The Boone County Sheriff's Department wishes to thank motorists of Boone County in advance for their patience and cooperation during this operation.

This event is funded by a grant from the Missouri Department of Transportation Division of Highway Safety.

All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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Release authorized by: Sgt. Brian Leer
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