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DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint Planned Saturday

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Police Department Traffic Division will be conducting a DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint on Saturday, October 17, 2026, at an undisclosed location within the city limits between the hours of approximately 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m.

Checkpoint locations are chosen based on the history of DUI crashes and arrests. The primary purpose of checkpoints is not to make arrests, but to promote public safety by deterring drivers from driving impaired.

During the checkpoint, officers will look for signs that drivers are under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

The San Diego Police Department is committed to keeping the traveling public safe and reminds the public that impaired driving is not just from alcohol. Some prescription medications or over-the-counter drugs may interfere with driving. Always follow directions for use and read warning labels about driving or operating heavy machinery, which includes driving a car. While medicinal and recreational marijuana are legal, driving under the influence of marijuana is illegal.

If you plan on drinking or taking medications that may impact your ability to drive safely, plan on staying at home.

Drivers charged with a first-time DUI face an average of $13,500 in fines and penalties, as well as a suspended license.

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