



# BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## Police Traffic Safety Checkpoint

The Bluffton Police Department Traffic Enforcement Team will be conducting a Traffic Safety Checkpoint Saturday July 27, 2019 from 10 p.m. – 12 a.m. Officers will be assigned to the area of Bluffton Parkway and Oliver Court.

The objective of this Traffic Safety Checkpoint is to apprehend impaired drivers, and to enforce all other traffic laws pertaining to traffic safety. The Bluffton Police Department encourages everyone to enjoy their weekend but do so responsibly.

South Carolina law prohibits a person from driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol to the extent that the person's faculties to drive are materially and appreciably impaired. If you are convicted of causing great bodily injury or death while driving under the influence, you face:

- A mandatory fine of \$5,100 to \$10,100 and imprisonment from 30 days to 15 years when great bodily injury occurs.
- A mandatory fine of \$10,100 to \$25,100 and imprisonment from one to 25 years when death occurs.

### **SC Code of Laws Sections 56-5-2933 and 56-5-2940**

This checkpoint is part of the duties conducted by the Bluffton Police Department's Traffic Enforcement Team created from a South Carolina Department of Public Safety grant.

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