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WASHINGTON STATE PATROL AND MICHIGAN STATE POLICE TEAM UP TO SIDELINE IMPAIRED DRIVING DURING THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

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LANSING, MICH. The Washington State Patrol and Michigan State Police are teaming up to sideline impaired driving during the College Football National Championship game between the Washington Huskies and the Michigan Wolverines on Monday, January 8. While there will be a rivalry between the two states on the football field, we're on the same team when it comes to removing impaired drivers from our roadways.

"This should be a time of fun and family for all Washingtonians, not sorrow and tragedy," said Washington State Patrol Chief John R. Batiste. "We ask everyone on the roadways to slow down, pay attention, drive sober, and buckle up. When it comes to safe highways, we are truly all in this together."

Whether you are cheering from Ann Arbor, Seattle, or Houston, Fans Don't Let Fans Drive Drunk. Make sure everyone has a safe and sober way to and from their destination.

"Getting behind the wheel impaired is a choice and it's the wrong one," said Col. James F. Grady II, director of the Michigan State Police. "Protect yourself and others on the road by avoiding distractions, wearing your safety belt and only driving sober."

No matter which team wins, you can be on the winning team by designating a sober driver.

Motorists are encouraged to dial 911 in either state to report impaired drivers.

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