



MARINE ON ST. CROIX

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DISTRACTED DRIVING ENFORCEMENT

Deputies from the Washington County Sheriff's Office issued a grand total of 124 citations for wireless communication driving violations in April, part of a concerted nationwide effort to step up enforcement of distracted driving laws.

Law enforcement officers around the country are seeing a shift in driver behavior as it pertains to wireless devices: Texting is becoming less common, while video entertainment and streaming is becoming more prevalent. This trend includes drivers operating commercial motor vehicles as well as personal vehicles. Common wireless communications device violations include holding a phone or tablet with one or both hands; sending or receiving texts; engaging in phone calls or video calls; and accessing video/audio content, images, games or apps.

But you don't have to be on a device to be distracted — eating and drinking, personal grooming, changing radio stations, looking for items in a purse or backpack and even talking with a passenger can all contribute to driving issues that can cause accidents and even claim lives.

Learn more about Minnesota's [hands-free cell phone law](#) to make sure you know the rules, and remember that nothing on a phone is worth a life.

NUMBER OF INCIDENTS

9

TRAFFIC STOPS

5

LOGGED AREA CHECKS

3



WC25017787

FRAUD

1XX JUDD STREET

At 3pm on April 4, deputies arrived at a bank where employees had reported check fraud. The employees said a person had come into the bank earlier that day to open a checking account. After opening the account, the person then tried to cash a check from a different bank for \$2,100, but staff said it would have to wait until the account at the other bank had been verified. The suspect then apparently went to a different branch and was able to cash the check for nearly its entire amount, \$1,900. Later, the bank learned account at the other bank had been closed since 2021. The bank staff gave the deputy several documents detailing the account opened, the original check and a copy of the driver's license provided by the suspect. The deputy also requested security camera footage from both branches of the bank.

MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF

After recognizing the dedicated public safety telecommunicators of Washington County's Emergency Communications Response Center — our "first" first responders — the week of April 13-19, we now shift our focus to the Correctional Officers of the Washington County Jail. During National Correctional Officers week May 4-10, we salute the team that works day in and day out to ensure a safe space where people are treated with dignity.

Our team of 90 full-time corrections staff members has a challenging job, with an average 2024 daily population of 130 inmates, adding up to an annual booking count of 4,000 adults and 129 juveniles. Besides basic housing and meals, the jail staff includes medical and social workers to address issues like medication, substance use and mental health as well as to help connect people to social services they may need, both while they're incarcerated and afterward. We thank each of our corrections team members for their dedication and commitment to helping people through some of their toughest times.

And as always, we invite you to gather with us at Stillwater's Historic Courthouse on Thursday, May 15, to remember our fallen heroes at the annual Law Enforcement Memorial Day ceremony. Beginning at noon, we'll honor those officers who gave their lives in the line of duty. Our thanks to all our community members for your continued support — you are why we do what we do, with pride.



In service,

Dan Starry

Sheriff Dan Starry

Total for City MARINE ON SAINT CROIX: 9

Incident Date	Case#	Address	Event Description
4/3/2025 10:04:41 AM	WC25017557	15XXX -16025 SAINT CROIX TRL N, MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	TRAFFIC STOP
4/4/2025 3:00:13 PM	WC25017787	XXX Judd St, MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	COUNTERFEIT/FORGERY
4/10/2025 6:29:54 PM	WC25018941	14XXX sheffield Ln, MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	SUSPICIOUS PERSON/ACTIVITY
4/13/2025 12:31:02 AM	WC25019354	15XXX Ostrum Trl N, MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	SUSPICIOUS PERSON/ACTIVITY
4/13/2025 2:54:36 PM	WC25019406	XXX Judd St, MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	TRAFFIC COMPLAINT
4/14/2025 6:51:39 PM	WC25019645	17XXX Saint Croix Trl N, MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	911 ABANDONED/HANGUP/OPEN LINE
4/17/2025 3:22:00 PM	WC25020276	SAINT CROIX TRL N, MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	TRAFFIC STOP
4/23/2025 6:11:05 PM	WC25021230	XXX Oak Knoll Dr, MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	FIRE
4/28/2025 3:37:26 PM	WC25022179	Unknown, MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	CITIZEN/PUBLIC ASSIST

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Number	Case Number	Officer	Street Address	Cross Street	City	Violation	Type	Created On	Officer Involvement
WW820020250130	WC25017557	Stoehr, Joseph R WC119	15751-16025 SAINT CROIX TRL N	154TH ST N/BUTTERNUT FALLS TRL	MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	169.14.1 Traffic - Duty to Drive with Due Care - Speed Greater than Reasonable	WRITTE N WARNIN G	Apr 3, 2025, 10:25:56 AM	REPORT
820020252017	WC25018623	Stoehr, Joseph R WC119	Saint Croix Trl N	NASON HILL RD	MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	169.14.2(a)(3) Traffic - Speeding - Exceed Limit 55 mph Where Appropriate	MOVING VIOLATI ON	Apr 11, 2025, 8:14:09 AM	REPORT
82002025201	WC25020276	Stoehr, Joseph R WC119	SAINTE CROIX TRL N	BROADWAY SY	MARINE ON SAINT CROIX	169.14.2(a) Traffic - Speeding - Exceed Limit	MOVING VIOLATI ON	Apr 18, 2025, 8:54:33 AM	REPORT