

National “SLOW DOWN” Day – 7.00 hrs Friday 24th May to 7.00 hrs Saturday 25th May 2019

An Garda Siochana, supported by the Road Safety Authority and Leitrim County Council Road Safety Office, will conduct a National Speed Enforcement Operation “**SLOW DOWN**” for a 24 hour period from 07.00 hrs on Friday 24th May, 2019 to 07.00 hrs on Saturday 25th May, 2019.

Excessive and inappropriate speed is a major contributory factor in road traffic collisions and excessive speed is a contributory factor in one-third of all fatal collisions. The higher the speed, the greater the likelihood is of a collision happening and the more severe the outcome of that collision.

As a general rule a 1% reduction in average speed will bring about a 4% reduction in fatal collisions. Hence, reducing speed is essential to improving road safety.

The aim of “SLOW DOWN” day is to reduce the number of speed related collisions, save lives and reduce injuries on our roads and to remind drivers of the dangers of speeding and increase compliance with speed limits.

National “SLOW DOWN” Day will consist of high visibility speed enforcement activities. Garda Personnel will have speed checkpoints in place and will man display stands in key venues to provide road safety advice and distribute road safety leaflets.

Please support National “SLOW DOWN” Day by reducing your speed and helping to save lives on our roads.