

NYPD CELL PHONE CRACKDOWN YIELDS THOUSANDS OF TICKETS

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NEW YORK - New York City police issued a whopping 9,016 tickets during a 24-hour crackdown on phoningwhile-driving.

Department spokesman Paul Browne says that compares to 500 on a typical day.

The ticket blitz ended Friday. But the law is still the law.

Get caught driving while using a hand held phone and you could be fined \$120.

Taxi drivers are held to an even higher standard. They can receive a \$200 summons from the Taxi and Limousine Commission for using even a hands-free phone while driving.

The NYPD said hands-free phones were not a focus of its 24-hour crackdown.

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