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**Shreveport Police Department Prepares for Independence Bowl with Enhanced  
Traffic and Safety Plan**

With kickoff for the Independence Bowl scheduled for 8:15 PM on December 28, 2024, the Shreveport Police Department is implementing an improved traffic and safety plan to ensure a smooth and enjoyable experience for all attendees. SPD urges fans to familiarize themselves with the provided traffic guidelines, stadium policies, and tailgating rules to minimize inconvenience and maximize safety.

**Traffic and Parking Instructions**

To ease traffic congestion around the stadium, SPD advises the following:

**General Parking:** Use the Hearn Avenue exit from Interstate 20 (Exit 16A).

**Parking Pass Holders:** Use the Jewella Avenue exit from Interstate 20 and enter from Fair Street.

Following these guidelines will help streamline traffic flow and reduce delays in the area.

**Stadium Rules and Policies**

To enhance safety and ensure compliance, fans are reminded of the following prohibited items and policies:

**Prohibited Items**

- Outside food or drinks (alcoholic or non-alcoholic)
- Ice chests/coolers
- Video cameras
- Firearms, knives, pocket tools, straight blades, mace, and Taser/stun guns
- Umbrellas
- Non-clear bags

- Laser pointers/lights
- Telephoto lenses more than 6 inches in length
- Smoking and vaping devices
- **Drones**

#### Clear Bag Policy

While fans are encouraged to bring no bags, the following are permitted:

- Clear plastic, vinyl, or PVC bags no larger than 12" x 6" x 12"
- One-gallon clear plastic freezer bags (e.g., Ziploc bags)
- Small clutch bags no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" (with or without a handle/strap)
- Medically necessary items (subject to inspection at designated gates)

Prohibited bags include purses larger than a clutch, briefcases, backpacks, non-clear cinch bags, and any bag exceeding size restrictions.

Smoking and vaping are strictly prohibited inside Independence Stadium.

#### Tailgating and Parking Details

Fans can take advantage of designated tailgating areas:

- White Lot: Conveniently located northeast of Independence Stadium. The cost is \$25 per parking space.
- Grass Tailgate Areas: Pricing depends on the amount of space reserved.
- Charter Bus and Limousine Passes: \$50 each.

Shreveport Police will continue to provide updates on traffic and safety measures as the event approaches. Fans are encouraged to stay informed and follow SPD on social media for real-time updates.

#### Contact Information

For additional information or inquiries, contact the Shreveport Police Department at 318-673-7300.