

**INFORMATION ON INFRINGEMENT NOTICES  
ISSUED FOR  
SPEED AND RED LIGHT CAMERA DETECTED OFFENCES**

**CONTACT DETAILS**

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*Currently the Traffic Camera Office does not have a direct e-mail address.*

*Phone calls made to the Queensland Police Service, Traffic Camera Office will be recorded for quality assurance and training purposes. Threatening and abusive calls will not be tolerated and offenders may be charged with breaches against the Telecommunication's Act and Criminal Code.*

**Exceeding the speed limit and disobeying red traffic control signals are considered by the Queensland Police Service to be life endangering offences which not only endangers yourself, but other persons on the road. To ensure the safety of all road-users (pedestrian and motorist) the onus must remain with each and every driver to obey all the traffic rules and regulations at all times with or without police presence.**

**BACKGROUND:**

Aimed at making Queensland roads safer through the use of photographic detection devices, Red Light Cameras were introduced in December 1990 followed by Mobile Speed Cameras in May 1997.

Fixed Speed Camera sites were activated in December 2007 and February 2008 at Burpengary, Kangaroo Point and Tarragindi. Four additional fixed speed camera sites were activated in Broadbeach, Southport, Redwood and Muirlea in 2009. In 2010, sites were activated at Mooloolaba, Warana and the Clem Jones Tunnel (Clem 7).

Clem 7 was the first site where digital photographic detection devices were introduced. New proof of concept digital photographic detection devices are being introduced in 2011 at sites in south east Queensland. These include combined Speed with Red Light photographic detection devices at Ashgrove (Waterworks Road) and at Calamvale (Beaudesert Road and Compton Road), Fixed Speed photographic detection devices at Nudgee (Gateway

Motorway) and at Loganholme (M1 Motorway) and Point to Point Average Speed photographic detection devices on the Bruce Highway at Beerburum.

**GOAL:**

The Camera-Detected Offence Program is aimed at reducing road trauma through enforcement and therefore limiting the number of fatal, hospitalisation and medical treatment crashes.

**LOCATIONS:**

Information on camera locations in Queensland can be found at:

<http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/cameras>

**TYPE OF CAMERAS USED IN QUEENSLAND:**

Camera types used in Queensland are located in the *Traffic Regulation 1962*, Sch 10.

Go to:

<http://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/LEGISLTN/CURRENT/T/TrantOpRUafR62.pdf>

**PENALTIES FOR CAMERA DETECTED OFFENCES**

Information on fines and demerit points for camera detected offences can be found at:

<http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/Safety/Driver-guide/Speeding/Fines-and-demerit-points.aspx>

Additional information can be found at:

<http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/Licensing/Licence-demerit-points.aspx>

**REVENUE ALLOCATION:**

The Queensland Government has been very conscious of the need to ensure that speed cameras receive public support as a road safety tool, and are not seen as merely revenue raising. To achieve this, a number of management issues have been put in place. One such issue is the distribution of revenue resulting from fines for camera detected offences.

The *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995* provides that monies collected for camera detected offences, in excess of administration costs, be used for the following purposes:

- (a) road safety education and awareness programs;
- (b) road accident injury rehabilitation programs; and
- (c) road funding to improve the safety of the sections of State-controlled roads where accidents most frequently happen.

See the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*:  
<http://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/LEGISLTN/CURRENT/T/TrantOpRUA95.pdf>

Since the introduction of cameras, Queensland Government legislation has always ensured allocation of monies in this manner.

It is important to note that the penalty associated with Camera Detected Offence Notices is paid directly to the Department of Transport and Main Roads or the State Penalties Enforcement Registry when the late fee has been applied.

### **THE PROCEDURES INVOLVED WHEN A VEHICLE IS PHOTOGRAPHED:**

Each camera photograph is carefully examined by specially trained adjudicators to determine whether an offence has been committed and a Notice can be issued.

If you receive a Camera Detected Offence Notice, it will include relevant details of the offence, including the fine and the number of licence demerit points allocated for the offence (Infringement Notices issued to Companies/Corporations do not have demerit points allocated). Adjudicators can use enlarged photographs to ensure accurate identification of the vehicle and the registration number. (These are larger than the size supplied with the infringement notice).

The Camera Detected Offence Notice will be mailed to the **registered owner** of the vehicle. In the case of joint ownership, the infringement notice is issued to the person who is listed first on the vehicle registration records.

If the Notice is in your name and **you pay the fine**, the demerit points **will be** accrued against your driver's licence history.

A recipient of a Camera Detected Offence Notice is allocated 28 days to pay the fine, elect to go to court or nominate the driver of the vehicle. The Infringement Notice clearly outlines the Date Due. **You have the right to challenge the photographic evidence taken by camera devices.**

***The Traffic Camera Office can answer questions in relation to Camera Detected Offence Notices. Should your enquiry be in relation to a Traffic Offence Notice issued by a Police Officer for an 'on-the-spot fine' please direct your enquiry to the Police Officer or Station indicated on the bottom of the Traffic Infringement Notice. (These notices are usually yellow in colour and start with the letter 'A').***

## YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

As the Queensland Police Service values the privacy of all individuals, information relating to a specific infringement notice will **only** be released to the person whose name appears on the infringement notice. The ticket holder however, can nominate a representative to act on their behalf by providing written authorisation to the Traffic Camera Office. The Traffic Camera Office recognises customers with Legal Representation and Power of Attorney.

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