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## **MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW**

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In my experience, the mobile speed camera vehicles have a large tendency to use any or all of the following tactics; park themselves about 6-10 meters off the side of the road, park in vegetated position for camouflage, park in a corner or crest, park in front of another park car which would give only 10 meters (at best) of visibility between when you can see it and where the camera vehicle is, or leave the vehicle for days in the same location without the driver but the camera still operates as you can see the infrared flash (Hawkesbury's vehicle seems fond of this).

These are tactics which are disrespectful to road users. With signage in place, just like fixed cameras, it catches the drivers who are inattentive to their surroundings or their speed and the people who intentionally speed, and it reminds them that they need to adhere to the speed limit. Now it catches out old Plain Jane who may have picked up a few kilometres and hasn't realised due to traffic flow.

The fact that road fatalities have not gone down any faster than the trend would suggest that removing the signage has not led to safer roads as the NSW Government would have the public believe. And with groups such as NRMA having reversed their approval of removing the signs under road safety. It all points to the mobile speed cameras as nothing other than another revenue raising gambit by the Government.

It'll only be a matter of time until an operator of one of the vehicles is injured or killed by someone with a vengeance. Put the signage back up before it's too late. We were a beacon of fairness in comparison to the other States of Australia by having the signage, now the NSW Government comes across as desperate.