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MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW

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I'm a firm believer that speeding is a safety concern however I also believe that there needs to be a balance. Setting speed camera to catch people only a few km over the limit isn't right. I try and drive at the speed limit all the time however there are times when you reach a crest of a hill that the speed can increase a few kmh over before adjusting over the other side. I now drive with fear that a speed camera is sitting on the other side ready to catch me go over for those few seconds. I've noticed my driving is affected by this by placing my brakes on heavier and causing issues with traffic behind. All the while I'm keeping my eyes on the speed rather than the road. Both are huge safety concerns to me and shouldn't happen. I should be able to know that I can concentrate on the road without driving unsafely for fear of a speed camera by up to 10% of the speed.

Most of the driving population falls under this from what I see driving regularly. The ones that speed often do so at much higher speeds at roughly 100% of the time. I have no time for those drivers as they put myself, my family and other loved ones at risk. As such I think unmarked speed camera are not a bad thing for those circumstances. But for the average Joe, if I knew I wouldn't be in trouble for going over the speed limit a little whilst concentrating on the road, but those deliberately speeding much higher than the limit would, this would be the fairest and safest option moving forward.

In summary, I am ok with unmarked speed cameras however as long as they are only catching drivers speeding well over the limit (say 8 to 10kmh + over the limit). They shouldn't be placed where driver concentration is critical (over crests of hills or on downhill sections where some natural speed addition occurs) but in areas where drivers can safely check their speed as they go past.