

**Submission
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MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW

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I am writing this submission to highlight my concerns regarding mobile speed detection cameras and the removal of warning signs. My problem with these mobile units is that in my opinion they are just simply revenue raising and making money for private operators and are not helping to reduce accidents and improve road safety. How are they improving safety when you get a ticket weeks after the event and one doesn't even know that they were booked at the time! Where is the deterrent at the time? It's just plain sneaky and no way to treat motorists, nothing beats a visible Police officer/highway patrol car to remind people to check their speed and they also remove the discretion of a highway patrol officer, we are not all robots, and it's easy to slightly speed now and again, we have all done it! It's also dangerous to be forced to constantly stare at the speedometer instead of the road ahead because we are all so worried about getting fined and being issued with demerits points. I personally find it unenjoyable to drive anywhere here in NSW anymore, I use my car as little as possible and only when I have no choice, I find it too stressful and terrified of getting a speeding ticket! I am lucky that I don't use a car for work! Why should I feel like this??? I certainly don't go out for Sunday drives anymore!

I have heard of people getting tickets for just going slightly over the speed limit coming down a hill for example and receiving a ticket weeks later and they didn't even know or remember, it's not fair, especially if people lose their license and then their jobs! It will just hurt the economy in the end!

I am so sick of hearing that it's just speed that causes accidents, it's also bad driving that causes accidents! I think that people who are repeat offenders or have a bad accident history should be made to attend advanced driving and road safety courses.

Just for the record, I have not been booked and I have a clean driving record/history with no accidents or points as yet and I want to keep it that way!