

Safety Cameras

Preventable road deaths and injuries remain a serious issue in WA, costing the community \$2.1 billion annually. The social and emotional cost, however, is immeasurable.

WHAT ARE SAFETY CAMERAS?

A safety camera is a type of camera that is used **to monitor and enforce traffic laws**.

Safety cameras can be fixed (stationary, unable to be moved) or mobile (able to be transported).

WHY USE SAFETY CAMERAS?

Some offences, like drink-and-drug driving or hoon behaviour, require active policing efforts. Others, like speeding, mobile phone, and seatbelt violations, can be addressed through a combined effort of safety cameras and police enforcement to reduce high-risk behaviours on our roads.

SAFETY CAMERA TRAILERS



Six new safety camera trailers were introduced to the state in 2025.



These new safety cameras are mounted on large, bright yellow trailers with Road Safety Commission branding. They can be moved to various locations and are able to operate continuously (24 hours a day) for several days if required. The safety camera trailers can detect:

- Mobile phone offences;
- Failing to wear a seatbelt or wearing it incorrectly (driver and front seat passenger);
- Average speed (point to point);
- Spot speed; and
- Heavy vehicle and towed vehicle speeds.

HOW DO THEY WORK?

Artificial Intelligence software reviews all safety camera images, permanently and instantly deleting those without offences.

Potential violations undergo three reviews by an authorised human adjudicator, prior to a decision being made to issue a caution notice or traffic infringement.

Strict data security measures apply, as with all WA traffic cameras.

WHERE ARE THEY LOCATED?

The safety camera trailers are deployed statewide to ensure a geographical spread of deterrence. The Road Safety Commission selects sites based on multiple criteria, including crash data and advice from the WA Police Force and Main Roads Western Australia.

Two safety camera trailers are based in Perth (metropolitan), Albany (Great Southern) and Geraldton (Mid West) are rotated around these regions regularly.

Fixed safety cameras on the Kwinana Freeway are installed at Gentilli Way (Salter Point) and Mill Point Road (South Perth).

WHY ARE SAFETY CAMERAS BEING INTRODUCED TO REGIONAL AREAS?



Regional road fatalities remain high, with most serious crashes involving local drivers.

In 2024, over 60% of road deaths occurred in regional areas; and we want this to change.

Advances in technology now enable the effective use of these safety cameras in remote areas.

CAUTION NOTICE PERIOD – COMPLETE

While new safety camera technology was introduced to the state, a caution notice period applied.

During that time, drivers detected committing a mobile phone or seatbelt offence received a caution notice instead of a traffic infringement.

The eight-month caution notice period ended on 7 October 2025.

From 8 October 2025, fines and demerit points apply for mobile phone, seatbelt, and speeding offences detected by new safety cameras.

HOW DO SAFETY CAMERAS IMPROVE ROAD SAFETY?

We must continue working together to make every journey safe as a community. **To save lives, we're focusing on three key areas:**

- Engineering
- Enforcement
- Education

When combined, these areas play an essential role in making our roads safer for everyone. **Safety cameras have proven to be a highly effective tool for detecting and deterring unsafe driving, influencing behaviour through the risk of detection.**

WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION?

Visit rsc.wa.gov.au/safetycameras