



Maryland SafeZones

Automated Speed Enforcement Program

The Law

- Transportation Article § 21–810 of the Maryland Annotated Code, effective October 1, 2009, authorizes the State Highway Administration (SHA), Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) and Maryland State Police (MSP) to use automated speed enforcement (ASE) technology in work zones.
- In work zones, speed cameras may be placed along expressways and controlled access roadways with at least a 45 mph speed limit.
- A citation may only be issued if the driver is going at least 12 mph above the speed limit.
- “Conspicuous” signs must be posted to give drivers adequate notice of the cameras.
- Upon implementation of the program, there will be a 30-day warning period.
- The District Court has set the amount of the civil fine at \$40.
- Revenue from the civil fines collected will be used to cover the costs of implementing and administering the *Maryland SafeZones* program. For the first three years, the balance of revenues after recovering program costs, if any, will go to an account for state police roadside enforcement activities.

Maryland SafeZones Pilot Program

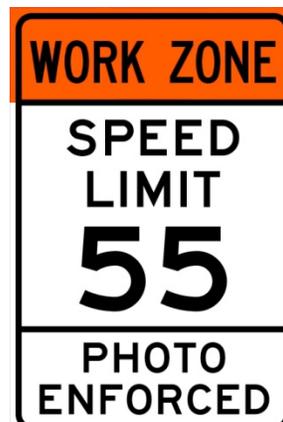
- SHA, MdTA and MSP will pilot an automated speed enforcement program beginning October 1, 2009.
- The *Maryland SafeZones* program goal is to make work zones safer for workers, drivers and their passengers.
 - Four out of every five people injured or killed in work zone crashes are drivers or passengers, not workers.

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- *Maryland SafeZones* mobile enforcement vehicles (vans or SUVs) will rotate among eligible work zones throughout the State, including:
 - I-95 and the future Intercounty Connector between MD 212 and MD 198 in Prince George’s County
 - I-695 at Charles Street in Baltimore County
 - I-95 between I-895 and White Marsh Boulevard in Baltimore County
- Before passing the mobile enforcement vehicle, drivers should be aware of the posted speed limit, their vehicle’s speed, and that there may be automated speed enforcement in that work zone.
 - Large warning signs will be posted to provide motorists adequate advance notice of work zones where photo enforcement may be occurring.
 - In addition, a speed display trailer, showing the posted the speed limit and real-time vehicle speed, will be located in advance of the enforcement vehicle.
- For the first month, October 1 through October 31, motorists will receive warnings only.
- All citations will be verified by the Maryland State Police or the Maryland Transportation Authority Police (MdTA) Police, depending on the location of the work zone.
- The pilot is effective through next spring. SHA will issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the long-term implementation of the program this fall.

Program Signs



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