



OACP Statement: Automated Speed Enforcement

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Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police Statement on Automated Speed Enforcement

The Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) supports the use of Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) tools as an important element in enhancing traffic safety. The deployment of ASE tools must be done strategically, based on evidence and data that supports road safety.

ASE tools should also be utilized to augment other elements of road safety. This includes taking into consideration elements of engineering and public education that play crucial roles in making Ontario roadways safer.

Employing ASE tools has been proven to reduce speeding, change driver behaviour, and make our roads safer for everyone—drivers, cyclists, pedestrians, and especially children and other vulnerable road users. These tools are especially deployed in school zones and community safety zones, where slowing down saves lives and prevents serious injuries.

Ontario's police leaders view ASE not as a revenue tool, but as a traffic safety tool. Its purpose is deterrence and prevention—helping to change driver behaviour and

reduce collisions. By complementing traditional police enforcement, ASE also frees up police resources to focus on other pressing public safety priorities.

Police services across Ontario hear directly from residents that speeding on our roadways, highways, and in neighbourhoods remains one of their top concerns. ASE tools are meant to help address these concerns in a fair, consistent, and transparent way, reinforcing the principle that traffic safety is everyone's responsibility.

The OACP encourages municipalities and policy makers to use ASE strategically, in partnership with education and road engineering, to enhance community safety. We remain committed to supporting evidence-based tools that protect our communities and demonstrate accountability in how we address traffic safety.

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