



In January 2014, Mayor Bill de Blasio launched Vision Zero, a comprehensive plan to reduce driver, bicyclist, and pedestrian fatalities and injuries in NYC.

NYC has the largest single fleet that operates in the five boroughs, with nearly 30,000 units, and an estimated 80,000 authorized vehicle operators. It is critical that NYC employees lead in the effort to improve safety while driving and reduce collisions.

- Effective November 7, 2014, the general speed limit in NYC is **25 miles per hour** unless a separate speed limit is posted. Speeding is one of the major causes of deaths and major injuries on the road, and 5 miles per hour can be the difference between life and death in a collision.
- As part of our citywide vehicle tracking program, starting 2015, NYC installed recording units in all fleet vehicles. In addition, for many years prior, City fleet vehicles have used location tracking units as well as car share technology across different agencies including Parks, DCAS, FDNY, DEP, Health, DOT, DSNY, OCME, DOC, and others. The recording units help us monitor speed and location information, idling, seatbelt use, and maintenance codes, as well as manage usage and fueling. These units do not impact the operation of the vehicle and do not require any action by the driver. The units will help us better understand and improve our speeding and safety practices as we work to ensure compliance with the new speed limit and to reduce collisions. If you have a question about a tracking unit, please notify fleet in your agency. Please do not alter or remove the units.
- The City, led by DCAS, is now offering the State Defensive Driving program, free of charge, to all authorized City vehicle operators. The class is a full day and focuses on tips and best practices for safe vehicle operation. During the course, we also review Vision Zero. The course certificate lasts for three years and can provide insurance benefits and reduction of license points. Please reach out to your Agency Transport Coordinator to sign up or email [nycfleet@dcas.nyc.gov](mailto:nycfleet@dcas.nyc.gov) for more information.
- For more information on the City's Vision Zero plan, please go to [www.nyc.gov/visionzero](http://www.nyc.gov/visionzero).

THANKS. Let's all lead the way to a safer New York!