

Speeding is deadly.

The faster a vehicle is moving, the harder it is for the driver of that vehicle to avoid a crash. Even a small difference in speed makes a big impact in terms of safety – a pedestrian who is struck by a vehicle travelling at 30 MPH is twice as likely to be killed as a pedestrian struck by a vehicle travelling at 25 MPH.

Why use speed cameras?

NYC uses a variety of methods to encourage people to drive at safe speeds, including speed bumps, signal timing, narrowing wide travel lanes, and police enforcement. Speed cameras have been proven to save lives. At locations where a speed camera is in use, injuries drop 17 percent, and speeding drops by over 60 percent.

NYC's Speed Camera Enforcement

NYC's speed cameras use the same radar and laser technology relied upon by law enforcement to measure a vehicle's speed. If the radar finds that the vehicle is exceeding the speed limit by more than ten miles per hour, images of the vehicle are recorded along with an image of the license plate.

On July 11, 2019, New York City's expanded speed camera law took effect. The City now issues violations Monday through Friday, from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., year-round. The placement of speed cameras is limited to school speed zones – a quarter mile radius around schools.

It is illegal to speed anywhere within the City of New York. You should always drive at or below the speed limit, regardless of where you are.

