

Electronic Traffic Enforcement Program

507.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance regarding agency employees identified in violation of the photo red light and automated speed violation enforcement program.

507.2 PHOTO RED LIGHT AND SPEED VIOLATION ENFORCEMENT

Oregon statute provides the City of Salem with the authority to use electronic devices for traffic enforcement:

- (a) **ORS 810.434 Red Light and Speed Violation Authority** - Any city may, at its own cost, operate cameras designed to photograph drivers who violate ORS 811.265 (Driver failure to obey traffic control device) by failing to obey a traffic control device; or violate the speed limit established in ORS 811.111 (Violating a speed limit) by 11 miles per hour or greater or violate the designated speed posted under ORS 810.180 (Designation of maximum speeds) by 11 miles per hour or greater.
- (b) **ORS 810.434 Reporting Requirements** - By March 1 of each odd-numbered year, each city that operates a camera under this section shall present to the Legislative Assembly the process and outcome evaluation conducted by the City under subsection (3) of this section.
- (c) **ORS 810.436 Red Light Citation Requirements** - Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if a city chooses to operate a camera that complies with this section and ORS 810.434 (Photo red light), a citation for violation of ORS 811.265 (Driver failure to obey traffic control device) may be issued on the basis of photographs from a camera taken without the presence of a police officer if conditions listed within ORS 810.436 are met.
- (d) **ORS 810.437 Red Light Speeding Citation Requirements** - Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if a city chooses to operate cameras that comply with this section and ORS 810.434 (Photo red light), a citation for speeding may be issued on the basis of photographs from a camera and other technology, including but not limited to sensors, that measure the speed of a vehicle without the presence of a police officer if conditions listed within ORS 810.437 are met.
- (e) **Intersection Site Selection** - Intersections selected for Electronic Traffic Enforcement cameras are based on crash data obtained from sources such as the Salem Police Department's internal Records Management Systems and Oregon Department of Transportation. Additionally testing and surveys are completed on red light and speeding violations observed at selected intersections during the evaluation phase.

The [accompanying procedure](#) provides guidance regarding photo red light enforcement of specific vehicles and individuals for potential violations of photo red light and automated speed enforcement devices.