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A Guide to Understanding the

Red-Light Camera Enforcement System

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What is the Red-Light Camera Enforcement System?

The red-light camera system is a road safety technology which provides 24-hour monitoring of intersections for motorists breaking red lights.

When a vehicle is captured breaking the red light, a photograph and video recording are sent electronically to the Traffic Enforcement Centre (TEC).

A team of highly trained and certified analysts and inspection officers will then review the footage to determine and confirm if there was a breach of the red-light traffic signal.

Once determined and confirmed, a citation notice will be generated and delivered to the registered owner of the vehicle via TTPOST courier service.



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Why is a Red-Light Camera Enforcement System needed?

The breach of red lights at intersections has been one of the major contributing factors to road accidents and fatalities in Trinidad and Tobago.

Over a four (4) year period, the Ministry of Works and Transport conducted a pilot project on the feasibility of the red-light camera technology in this country. During this pilot, the Ministry recorded an average of **4,000** red-light camera violations at just one intersection, with an average total of **48,000** annual red-light breaches at that same intersection.



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How does the Red-Light Camera Enforcement System work?

Once a vehicle is captured in violation of a red light and the violation is confirmed by the Traffic Enforcement Centre, a citation notice is generated and sent to the registered owner(s) of the motor vehicle. The citation notice will contain the following information:

- The **registered owner(s)** of the vehicle;
- The registration number plate of the vehicle;
- The make and colour of the vehicle;
- The link to the photograph and video recording of the violation;
- Date, time and location when the photograph and recording were captured;



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Paying a Citation Notice for Red-Light Camera Violations

Once the citation notice has been delivered, the registered owner(s) of the vehicle has **45 days** to pay the fine of **$1,000.00.** Payments can be made at authorised TTPOST locations nationwide by cash, debit card and soon, credit card.

The owner(s) of the vehicle will need the citation notice number, or the vehicle's registration number to make the payment. The payment must be made in full and in one transaction. No instalments or part-payments will be accepted.



Failure to pay the fine for Red-Light Violations

The following table provides an example of the fees to be applied for failure to pay the fine on a citation notice, or file a notice to contest within the stipulated time period.

Traffic Violation	Payment Amount	Payment Period
Breach of Red Light	$1,000.00 to be paid	Forty-five (45) days
Fails to pay $1,000.00 fine within forty-five (45) days	Escalation of 25% applies. $1,250.00 to be paid	Additional Fourteen (14) days
Fails to pay $1,250.00 within the additional fourteen (14) days	Another escalation of 25% applies. $1,500.00 to be paid	Additional Fourteen (14) days

Note: No demerit points are applied to violations detected by automated camera enforcement.

If the escalated fine of $1,500.00 remains unpaid after 14 days, the Licensing Authority may impose the following sanctions:

(1) Suspension of the driving permit, (if applicable);

(2) Ceasing all transactions in relation to the violator who was involved in the commission of the violation; or

(3) Ceasing all transactions with the owner of the motor vehicle, until the $1,500.00 fine is fully paid. Once the payment of the applicable sums is made, the administrative sanctions imposed will be immediately lifted.

Important Notice to Registered Owners of Motor Vehicles

The Ministry of Works and Transport urges registered owners of vehicles to pay particular attention and exercise informed judgement when permitting or lending their vehicles to third parties, since the registered owner (s) of the vehicle is responsible for the payment of the fine associated with red-light breaches.

Contesting the Citation Notice for Red-Light Violations

The registered owner(s) of the motor vehicle has an opportunity to file a Notice to Contest via the following link https://contest.ttlawcourts.org

There are only two (2) instances where persons are permitted to contest the citation notice:

1. The motor vehicle was stolen, or
2. The recipient of the Citation Notice is no longer the owner of the vehicle having duly registered a change of possession of the motor vehicle in accordance with the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act.

Once the Notice to Contest is filed within thirty (30) days of the service of the Citation Notice, the information is electronically transmitted via the U-TURN System to the Traffic Enforcement Centre and the process will be initiated for a court hearing at the Magistrates' Court.

The Traffic Enforcement Centre will transmit to the Court, an electronic case file, which will include a copy of the Citation Notice, the record of the Notice to Contest, a photograph and video recording of the vehicle in breach and proof of delivery of the citation notice.

Once the Court completes its process of determining the matter, the result will be transmitted to the Traffic Enforcement Centre via the U-Turn system so that the records of the registered owner can be updated at the Licensing Division.



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