

Concerned about speeding or aggressive driving in your neighborhood?

The Speeders Hotline is designed to receive complaints 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The purpose of the Speeders Hotline is to reduce the loss of life, injury and property damage from traffic crashes. Voluntary compliance on the part of all motorists will help keep Madison's roadways a safe place for all.

What You Can Do

Callers can report specific violations they witnessed, while driving in Madison, by calling the Speeders Hotline. The Madison Police Department sends a letter to the registered owner of the vehicle identified by the citizen. The letter advises the owner that the Police Department received a citizen complaint on the Speeders Hotline about their vehicle. The letter identifies the time, location and type of violation that was reported. The letter requests that they comply with traffic laws in the interest of everyone's safety.

A Madison Police Department civilian employee retrieves and logs the information from voice-mail. If the complaint pertains to a speeding problem in a specific



area, the information is forwarded to the appropriate police district for enforcement action. If the complaint involves a specific vehicle committing a specific violation, a letter is sent to the registered owner.

The letter is only a warning and does not affect the registered owner's driving record in any way. The warning letter is used to bring attention to the alleged violation of traffic laws.

Staffing limitations prevent officers from contacting callers to inform them of the action taken. The only time we take no action on a complaint is when we are not provided with complete or accurate information. It is important that the caller speaks in a clear voice and provides complete information on the vehicle, including the license number, make and model, and other identifying information.



A caller may request to be contacted to discuss an ongoing speeding problem in a specific area. This request will be forwarded to the appropriate police district.

On-line reporting of traffic violations may also be done on the Madison Police Department website using the Traffic Reporting Request Form. Go to www.cityofmadison.com/formspolice/testresform.html to complete the form.

Call the Madison Police Department Speeders Hotline to report incidents that occurred in the City of Madison

- Speeding Complaint(s)
- Aggressive Driving
- Tailgating (Following Too Close)
- Other traffic incidents

Action can only be taken by the Madison Police Department when complete information is provided:

- Make, model and color of the offending vehicle
- License number
- Day of week and time of occurrence
- Place of occurrence (address/area)

For other traffic issues call: 261-9687
For parking issues call: 266-4622

Remember to always wear your safety belt and to obey all traffic laws.

Other Important Traffic Safety Programs

Neighborhood Speed Watch

Program: With the help of City of Madison Traffic Engineering Division and the Madison Police Department, residents can set up Speed Display Monitors. These monitors display the speed limit along with the actual speed of passing cars. In some instances, on-site officers are deployed that may issue speeding tickets.

City residents who think there is a speeding problem in their neighborhood can participate in the program. The program operates on a first-come, first serve basis. At least three to six volunteers must be able to staff the equipment. The Traffic Engineering Division determines when the best times and locations to conduct the observations. For more information on this program, contact the Traffic Engineering Division at 266-4761 or visit the Traffic Engineering Division website at www.cityofmadison.com/transp/trindex.html.

Speed Studies and Speed Boards:

The Madison Police Department can also provide speed study information to residents and has two speed boards

available for use by neighborhood groups. The speed study can only be done on certain residential streets, but provide important information on traffic volume and speeds of vehicles. To obtain more information on having a speed study conducted or obtaining a speed board, contacts the MPD Traffic and Support Section at 261-9687.

Important Traffic Safety Phone Numbers

- Speeders Hotline (City of Madison)266-4624
- Neighborhood Speed Watch266-4761
- MPD Traffic & Support Section261-9687
- Parking Complaints266-4622
- Safe Community Coalition of Madison and Dane County256-6713



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