



FINES DOUBLE 24/7. WORKERS OR NOT.

Learn why speeding in
work zones endangers
more than the workers.



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Some drivers think that when they don't see workers, there's no need to slow down. *Not true.*

Here are just a few reasons why driving above the posted speed limit in a work zone can be dangerous at **all** times:

- » **Traffic pattern changes**, including narrower lanes
- » **Rough road surface** and gravel
- » **Uneven pavement** and abrupt edges
- » **Heavy equipment** that obstructs vision and movement

WHY ARE FINES DOUBLED?

Because of the unique conditions of work zones, **speeding poses especially serious risks** – not just to you, but to other drivers, as well as bicyclists and pedestrians. The laws – and stiffer fines to back them up – are there to protect everyone.

WHAT CAUSES WORK ZONE CRASHES?

Most work zone crashes are caused by drivers not paying attention, as well as driving too fast. So **avoid distractions, stay alert and slow down!**

WHERE DO CRASHES HAPPEN?

Nearly half of all work zone-related crashes happen in the **area leading into the work zone** – so when you see orange signs, cones and barrels in the roadway, that's your cue to slow down and pay extra attention to the car in front and to your surroundings.

WHO GETS HURT THE MOST?

While workers appreciate that drivers slow down to protect them, statistics show that **drivers and their passengers**, not workers, are more likely to be injured or killed in work zone crashes.