

Re: UK speed camera database

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Alan wrote:

- > *On this morning's Radio 4 news program they mentioned that there was a*
- > *proposed law (Road Safety Bill) that if passed by 2006 would outlaw an*
- > *'electronic gadget' capable of warning the driver about speed*
- > *traps/safety cameras. Although the news item suggested that it was*
- > *primarily aimed at use of radar detectors the wording used by the*
- > *presenter of 'electronic gadget' would also include the use any GPS*
- > *navigation equipment that allowed warnings from any safety camera*
- > *database.*
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- > *Link below probably only valid until 8 Mar 05*
- > *<<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk/4327737.stm>>*

The Road Safety Bill is going through the motions right now. The amendment specifically targets devices whose purpose is to "detect or interfere with the operation of, equipment used to assess the speed of motor vehicles" e.g. radar or laser detectors or jammers.

Quote " The existing GPS systems can contain information including the location of all approved speed camera sites in the country and the speed limits that apply there. Providing this information to drivers can only improve the prospects of drivers amending their speeds in order to comply with limits at or near camera sites."

So GPS safety camera systems are specifically excluded from the legislation :)

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