

## **Appendix 1: Details of Signage and Fines**

### **Signage Details**

Each Community Safety Zone will require signage at the beginning and end of each zone as per the Highway Traffic Act. Given the requirements, each school would require a minimum of four (4) signs (i.e. two (2) per direction) and possibly additional signs mid-block depending on the length of the defined section as seen in the images below.



Figure 1 - Example of Community Safety Zone signage to be installed

### **Fines**

The Highway Traffic Act has been amended to double the legislated minimum penalty provisions for moving offences committed within a CSZ. Demerit points associated with each offence has not been increased from current levels. The designated offences to which increased fines will apply can, for discussion purposes, be divided into three general areas, for which a brief description follows.

(a) Speeding - speeding penalties are based on a specified cost per kilometre as opposed to a general fine range. Both the legislated minimum fine range and the set fines have been doubled for speeding offences.

Example: speeding 22 kilometres over the posted speed limit

	<u>Offence outside a CSZ</u>	<u>Offence within a CSZ</u>
Set fine	\$3.75/km over the limit	\$7.50/km over the limit
Fine amount	\$87.50 + \$15 VFS	\$170.00 + \$30 VFS
(Note: fine amount includes \$5 court costs, VFS means Victim Fine Surcharge)		

Some speeding offences (i.e. 35-49 kilometres over the posted limit) when committed within a CSZ will result in the issuance of a Part III summons (court appearance).

(b) Careless Driving / Racing - careless driving offences have a penalty range of \$200 to \$1,000 outside a CSZ. There is no set fine for this offence if committed within a CSZ, and a Part III summons (court appearance) will be issued. Racing a motor vehicle does not carry a set fine and would result in the issuance of a Part III summons (court appearance) whether committed within or outside a CSZ.

(c) Other Offences - A significant number of other moving offences are subject to increased penalties if committed within a CSZ. The general penalty provisions of the Highway Traffic Act apply a penalty range of \$60 - \$500, with a set fine range of \$90 plus a \$15 Victim Fine Surcharge. Within a CSZ, the penalty range is increased to \$120 - \$500, with a set fine of either \$125 or \$155 (Victim Fine Surcharge of \$20 and \$30 respectively).

It should also be noted that the minimum legislated fines for failing to stop at red or amber lights were recently increased from \$60 to \$150. If either of these offences is committed within a CSZ, the fine amount is doubled. For example:

	<u>Red/Amber light Offence</u>	<u>Red/Amber Light Offence in a CSZ</u>
Penalty Range	\$150 - \$500	\$300 - \$500
Set Fine	\$155 + \$30 VFS	\$305 + \$60 VFS