



BAKERSFIELD POLICE MEMORANDUM



To: Traffic Hearing Officers

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From: Lieutenant Rene R. Chow – Traffic Section

Subject: Redflex Citation Review Process

The officer assigned to review the citations is required to utilize all information available to determine that the correct individual be identified when a red light violation occurs and is captured by the Redflex System.

The following is an example of how a Redflex citation would be reviewed.

- View the video and determine if a red light violation has occurred.
- Confirm the vehicle in the video/photos match the vehicle registration information.
- Determine if the driver is visible based on clarity of the video/photos.
- Compare the video/photo with the registered owner's driver's license (DMV) photo.
 - In some cases the photo comparisons are sufficient to uphold the citation for processing and following methods to identify the driver are not necessary.
- Check the registration for multiple registered owners. (If the gender is incorrect)
- Check department internal databases for possible vehicle information and past contacts with an identified driver/owner.
- Once all avenues have been considered or one or more of the above tasks has revealed the identity of the driver the citation is upheld and forwarded for processing.
- In the event the reviewer does not believe a violation has occurred or the identity of the driver cannot be determined the reviewing officer has the discretion to reject the citation.

- It is the goal of the reviewer to be reasonable and fair when utilizing this discretion. There no incentive to either uphold or reject any citation reviewed.
- When a citation is upheld and processed, all cited drivers are afforded the appeal process. This process allows any person cited via a Redflex System the opportunity to contest and review all of the evidence of the violation with a Hearing Review Officer.
- If the Reviewing Officer encounters any scenario or situation which he/she is not familiar or comfortable with he/she shall notify the circumstances to a supervisor.

The decision to issue or reject a Redflex citation is at the sole discretion of the Reviewing Officer. Redflex has no authority or influence to make a citation decision or finding.