

Where are the Red Light Safety Cameras?

Red light safety cameras are installed at the following intersection approaches:

- SB Barrington Rd @ Higgins Rd (Rt. 72)
- EB Higgins Rd (Rt. 72) @ Barrington Rd
- WB Higgins Rd (Rt. 72) @ Barrington Rd
- SB Rt. 59 @ Golf Rd (Rt. 58)
- EB Golf Rd (Rt. 58) @ Rt. 59
- NB Roselle Rd @ Higgins Rd (Rt. 72)
- WB Golf Rd (Rt. 58) @ Barrington Rd

Additional information can be found at www.hoffmanestates.org/police, and updates will be posted on future Traffic Signal Safety Camera locations as they are determined.

What do I do if I receive a notice?

To pay online, go to www.violationinfo.com and login with the information provided on the notice. There you can view video of the incident and the images captured.

I do not believe I ran a red light and want to discuss my case with someone.

If you wish to contest this violation, you must appear at 411 West Higgins Rd. (Rt. 72), Hoffman Estates, IL on the date and time located on the front of the Notice of Violation.

How much is the fine?

Violations will be assessed a \$100 civil penalty. Failure to pay the civil penalty by the due date on the Notice of Violation shall result in the imposition of a late payment fee of \$100.

What about my driving record?

Because the violation is a civil matter, it is treated much like a parking ticket. The violation is not reported to the Illinois Secretary of State's Office as a moving violation, no points will be assessed, and will not be reported to the insurance company.

Information Resources

Public education is the key to making our streets safer for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians. Brochures are available at most Village offices or can be downloaded from the Village website, www.hoffmanestates.org.

Representatives of the Red Light Safety Camera Program are available to speak to your organization or group.

To find out more, contact the Village of Hoffman Estates Police Department at www.hoffmanestates.org/police or call 847-781-2800.

Check the following websites for more information about automated red light enforcement and other traffic safety issues:

National Campaign to Stop Red Light Running
www.stopredlightrunning.com

Federal Highway Administration, Stop Red Light Running Program
<http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/srlr.htm>

Insurance Institute for Highway Safety
www.hwysafety.org

Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety
www.saferoads.org

Governors Highway Safety Association
www.naghsr.org

Partnership for Advancing Road Safety
www.advancingroadsafety.com



Village of Hoffman Estates

Police Department

Red Light Safety Camera Program



Travel safely in our community.

In 2012, there were 22 deaths in Illinois due to red light running. According to the National NHSTA, Illinois is the 10th most dangerous state for red-light running. Red-light Camera Programs have proven to reduce the number of red-light collisions and injuries associated with these crashes. The purpose of this program is to increase traffic safety by reducing red light running violations, collisions and injuries without affecting Village funds.

Why install Red Light Safety Cameras?

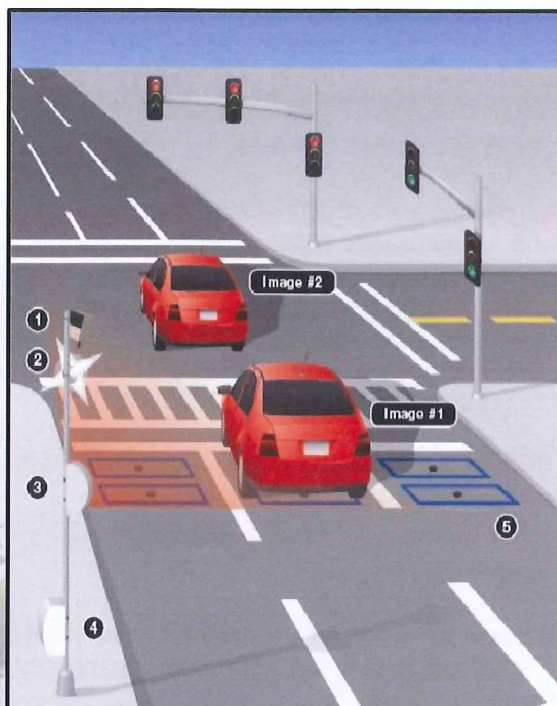
Traffic studies show that red light running is a problem at many intersections throughout the Village of Hoffman Estates. The NHTSA estimates that 20 percent of all drivers do not obey red light traffic signals. Red light safety cameras help Hoffman Estates enforce traffic laws by automatically photographing vehicles whose drivers run red lights. Hoffman Estates is committed to the safety of the community and dedicated to reducing red light violations and their potential for crashes and injuries on our roadways.

Run a red light – save only seconds.

Red light violations contribute substantially to the million intersection collisions that occur nationally each year. Red light running is the leading cause of urban crashes according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. In 2012, red light running resulted in 683 fatalities and 133,000 injuries.

Police can't be at an intersection 24/7.

Hoffman Estates Police Department simply does not have enough officers to set up conventional police enforcement at each intersection and enforce red light running violations. In addition to staffing limitations, traditional enforcement endangers the lives of officers as well as innocent motorists and pedestrians because the officer typically follows a violating vehicle through the red light to stop it.



- 1 **Sensor Receiver**
- 2 **Strobe**
- 3 **Camera**
- 4 **Controller**
- 5 **Traffic Infraction Detector/
Detection Zones**

- Image #1** The 1st Image records the vehicle behind the crosswalk while the light is red
- Image #2** The 2nd Image records the vehicle proceeding through the intersection while the light is red

We want to change driver behavior.

The purpose of this program is to increase traffic safety in Hoffman Estates by reducing red light violations. The overall goal of the program is to change dangerous driver behavior. Each driver makes a decision when approaching an intersection where the light has just turned red. Impatient drivers often choose to continue through the intersection, ignoring the law and putting lives at risk.

Studies across the country prove red light safety camera programs are successful at both reducing the number of red light runners and increasing compliance with traffic laws. The Federal Highway Administration studies show a 40–50% reduction in red light running.

How It Works

- The system activates when motion is detected just prior to the stop bar AFTER the traffic signal has turned red. The cameras capture two images of an alleged violation, taken toward the rear of the vehicle.
- The first image shows the vehicle at the white stop bar and the illuminated red light.
- The second image shows the violator in the middle of the intersection with the red light illuminated.
- The license plate image is a close-up from one of the images captured.
- Data, including the time, date, and duration of the yellow and red lights, also is recorded.
- Cameras also record a 12-second digital video of the violation, including six seconds prior to and six seconds after running the red light.