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Request for Review of Existing Speed Limit

(Form Number – K-INFFRM001)

Note: For enquiries relating to speed limits on State roads phone 1300 139 933 (select menu item 3).

1 Road Details	
Road Name	Town/City/Suburb
Section of Road	
Start	End
Current Speed Limit	Suggested Speed Limit
Reason for Request	
☐ Default Limited no longer applicable	☐ Altered speed environment / increased access points / roadside development
☐ Speed limit / vehicle speed discrepancy	☐ Need to adjust zone length/s
☐ Safety Concerns	☐ Other (please specify)
Provide reason for request review	

Please attach any other supporting information

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2 Applicants Details

Name		
First	Last	
Postal Address		
Town	Postcode	
Contact Phone Number	Contact Email Address	
3 Acknowledgement and Sign	ature	
I agree that by typing my name below in 'Name of signatory' I have signed this application (if completing electronically)		
Name of signatory		
Signature (if completing in hard copy)	Date	

4 Submission

Applications can be submitted as follows:

- Email to council@kentish.tas.gov.au and label the subject of your email
 "Request for Review of Existing Speed Limit; or
- Mail to PO Box 63, Sheffield, TAS, 7306; or

Deliver in person to the Council office at 69 High Street, Sheffield.

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Personal information is managed in accordance with the Personal Information Protection Act 2004 and may be accessed by the individual to whom it relates, on request to Council.

Information can be used for other purposes permitted by the Local Government Act 1993 and regulations made by or under that Act, and if necessary, may be disclosed to other public sector bodies, agents, or contractors of Council, in accordance with Council's personal information protection policies.

Failure to provide all required information may result in your application not being able to be accepted or processed.

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Frequently Asked Questions

- Q: How do I request a review of an existing speed limit?
- A: Reviews are the responsibility of the relevant road manager. For Local Government roads this is the applicable Municipal Council and for State Roads, it is the Department of State Growth.

Speed limits can only be changed by the Transport Commissioner following a speed limit change application from the relevant road manager. The road manager may consult with stakeholders such as the police, local council (where the road manager is the state) and the community to determine if a speed limit change is supported.

If you wish to request a review of a speed limit on a Council Road, please complete the enclosed form and return to Council.

- Q: Who is responsible for setting Speed Limits in Tasmania?
- A: Speed limits are set and enforced in Tasmania for the safety of all road users, whether you drive, ride or walk. Speed limits are set so everyone can have a safer and more reliable journey.

The Transport Commissioner is the legal authority for setting speed limits on all roads in Tasmania.

- Q: How are Speed Limits set?
- A: Speed limits need to provide a reasonable balance between traffic flow and local safety considerations. Setting realistic speed limits is important to ensure road users obey the speed limit.

It has been shown that setting low speed limits for higher speed limit environments results in poor compliance and therefore the credibility of a speed limit at a specific location is an important factor that is taken into consideration.

Also, frequent changes in speed limits also lead to poor compliance and can be confusing to motorists.

Surrounding speed limits and consistency are therefore important considerations in determining an appropriate speed limit. For this reason, relevant traffic engineering standards recommend that speed limits not be used to treat safety hazards associated with specific or localised features that are better managed with advisory warning signs and road delineation.

Key factors considered in setting the speed limit include, but are not limited to:

- Roadside development, particularly the number of accesses and intersections along the road which is a proxy for the likelihood of conflict between through traffic and turning traffic;
- Presence of vulnerable road users, such as cyclists and pedestrians
- Minimising speed limit changes;
- Road function and traffic volume;
- Road width and alignment; and,
- Safety Concerns, Crash Risk and Crash Rates.

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