

We positively endorse lower speed limits around known safety areas (schools, kindergartens, etc) where young children with less road knowledge may be present. We would recommend the use of variable speed signs which operate at the time this vulnerable group is around.

Likewise we have few issues around speed reductions in built up areas where congestion and road conditions general mean there will be little or no affect to journey times. These changes generally only reflect the actual speeds occurring in these areas.

Perhaps the most frustrating issue the industry has is the plethora of constantly changing speed zones is the driver's ability to ensure compliance with the current posted zone. The many fluctuations in speed at some sites serves only to confuse drivers, especially those unfamiliar with the area. A more consider approach to the longer journey might be a more successful approach.

On behalf of the RTANZ, we thank you for the opportunity to submit our proposal, on the recommendation for speed changes on SH5/30.

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