

Speeding

Triable only summarily:

Maximum: Level 3 fine (level 4 if motorway)

Must endorse and may disqualify. If no disqualification, impose 3-6 points

Offence seriousness (culpability and harm)

A. Identify the appropriate starting point

Starting points based on first time offender pleading not guilty

Speed limit (mph)	Recorded speed (mph)		
20	21 – 30	31 – 40	41 – 50
30	31 – 40	41 – 50	51 – 60
40	41 – 55	56 – 65	66 – 75
50	51 – 65	66 – 75	76 – 85
60	61 – 80	81 – 90	91 – 100
70	71 – 90	91 – 100	101 – 110
Starting point	Band A fine	Band B fine	Band B fine
Range	Band A fine	Band B fine	Band B fine
Points/disqualification	3 points	4 – 6 points OR Disqualify 7 – 28 days	Disqualify 7 – 56 days OR 6 points

Offence seriousness (culpability and harm)

B. Consider the effect of aggravating and mitigating factors (other than those within examples above)

Common aggravating and mitigating factors are identified in the pullout card – the following may be particularly relevant but **these lists are not exhaustive**

Factors indicating higher culpability

1. Poor road or weather conditions
2. LGV, HGV, PSV etc.
3. Towing caravan/trailer
4. Carrying passengers or heavy load
5. Driving for hire or reward
6. Evidence of unacceptable standard of driving over and above speed

Factors indicating greater degree of harm

1. Location e.g. near school
2. High level of traffic or pedestrians in the vicinity

Factor indicating lower culpability

1. Genuine emergency established

Form a preliminary view of the appropriate sentence, then consider offender mitigation

Common factors are identified in the pullout card

Consider a reduction for guilty plea

Consider ancillary orders

Refer to pages 168-174 for guidance on available ancillary orders

Decide sentence Give reasons