

# Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme Policy Statement



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## 1. Policy statement

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Cleveland Police will continue to strive to improve safety and reduce deaths and serious injury on the road, by encouraging, where practicable, the prevention and rectification of vehicle defects rather than prosecution.

The Force has operated a Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme for a number of years which raises potential for an increased attitude of co-operation between the police and the public, resulting in an improvement in the mechanical condition of motor vehicles using the roads, in the interests of road safety.

It reduces time spent in case file preparation and court proceedings, thereby freeing officers for operational duties and improves relationships between the police and the motoring public whilst at the same time maintaining a high level of enforcement of legislation relating to the use of vehicles on the road.