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## No escaping these super traffic cameras in Switzerland

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**SWISS police are testing a new generation of super cameras that are able to detect up to 10 kinds of traffic offences.**

The new camera, to be put into service at the end of August in the Swiss city of Geneva, will first take on the regular job of catching speeding and red light offences, local newspaper *Le Matin Dimanche* reported.

But the Trafistar SR590 will soon also be configured to pick out motorists who tailgate, fail to give way to pedestrians or to traffic on the right, as well as those who overtake in a dangerous manner.

Motorists who wander on to the cyclist and bus lanes, who fail to halt at a stop sign, who make an unauthorised turn or who trespass a dividing line can also be caught by the camera.

According to the newspaper, these additional functions would be in place by 2011.

While the current generation of cameras can monitor only two lanes, the new super camera can keep an eye across four lanes at a time, following up to 22 vehicles simultaneously over a distance of 500m.


Jean-Marc Pecorini, head of Geneva canton's traffic police, told the newspaper after obtaining initial results of a test: " They have been very successful we are very satisfied with the equipment."

Other Swiss cities like Lausanne could soon adopt the super-radar.

The technology, similar to that used on board planes, can detect the exact position of each object and track its movement.

The system is coupled to a high-precision camera, which takes six frames per second, to provide visual evidence of the crime for the courts.

In addition, there is also a regular camera, which takes a shot of the driver at the time of the flash.

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