

Improper use of red warning lights and siren would be when there is no emergency and there is no probable cause of criminal intent

Violation is in violation of your Oath of Office to uphold the Constitutions.

Vehicle Code 21057. "Every police and traffic officer is hereby expressly prohibited from using a siren" ... "except" ... (for an) ... "emergency"

Vehicle Code 25269 specifies use of red warning lights only "when an extreme hazard exists".

Complaints are being raised to the ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union) that Police and Sheriffs are routinely using red warning lights and sirens to arrest people in their non-commercial private vehicles [CVC 260(b)] for petty infractions. (The ACLU already sued the Sheriff for abusive jail conditions) I am aware of the problem, and may feel the need to file a complaint if abusive I feel that red lights & sirens for revenue collection for petty infractions is abusive, especially when used against travelers in non-commercial private vehicles - and is a direct violation of the Oath of Office.

I am strongly supportive of our Sheriffs in their duty as our main constitutionally-provided protection (and I salute you and support you in doing that), but I hope to make Sheriffs aware that the people are becoming afraid of Sheriffs, because they often usurp their constitutionally-mandated protection duty and become collectors of revenue, and routinely abuse use of red lights and sirens when there is no emergency or even probable cause of criminal activity.

I strongly support the Constitutional Sheriffs' & Peace Officers' Association: <http://cspoa.org/> I suggest you consult it & have fellow officers consult it also

You are our "last line of defense" - I support you in your non-revenue-collection duty, and hope more Sheriffs will learn how to stay in line of their Constitutional Duty and become less revenue-collectors.

Also, to obey your oath of office to obey the Constitutions, I suggest you visit <http://www.oathkeepers.org/>

Full text of

CVC 21057. Every **police** and traffic officer is hereby expressly **prohibited from using a siren or driving at an illegal speed when serving as an escort of any vehicle**, except when the escort or conveyance is furnished for the preservation of life or when expediting movements of supplies and personnel for any federal, state, or local governmental agency during a national emergency, or state of war emergency, or state of emergency, or **local emergency** as defined in Section 8558 of the Government Code.

Government Code 8558 [excerpts]

- (a) "State of war emergency"
- (b) "State of emergency" means the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril....
- (c) "Local emergency" means the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of a county, city and county, or city, caused by such conditions as air pollution, fire, flood, storm, epidemic, riot, drought, sudden and severe energy shortage, plant or animal infestation or disease, the Governor's warning of an earthquake or volcanic prediction, or an earthquake, or other conditions....