



# Auburn Police Department



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### **LOUD EXHAUST ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS INCREASE**

Auburn Police are ramping up loud exhaust noise enforcement efforts throughout the city for the summer. Loud exhaust noise continues to be problematic in the city. "Residents should be able to enjoy the warm summertime air without their windows rattling every time a vehicle with a loud exhaust drives by their residence" stated Police Chief Phillip L. Crowell Jr.

This year to date, officers have issued 29 warnings and three summonses for exhaust system violations. State law prohibits a motor vehicle from having a modified exhaust system that allows noise to be emitted at a louder level than that of the muffler that was originally installed on the vehicle.

"The violators are obvious" stated Deputy Chief Jason Moen, "when the exhaust noise drowns out the radio that you are listening to with all of the windows up, those are the vehicles that are getting stopped".

These vehicles are often drawing attention to themselves with unnecessary acceleration. Auburn Police have purchased a decibel meter to assist in the enforcement efforts.

"We hope that as our enforcement efforts increase, voluntary compliance with the law will increase as well", stated Chief Crowell.

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