

# Lending or Borrowing Vehicles

Most people are aware that if they loan their vehicle to someone, they might wind up with a photo radar ticket, even though they were not driving. There are more implications to lending or borrowing a car that you should be aware of.

For instance, if your vehicle is being driven by a suspended driver, it will be impounded for at least 30 days. You will be held responsible for towing and impound fees. It does not matter if you knew about the suspension or not.

Borrowing a vehicle has risks as well. If the vehicle you borrowed turns out to be uninsured, you are liable to a minimum fine of \$2875.00. If the current registration and insurance are not there, you are liable to fines totaling \$344.00. Don't forget to check vehicle equipment condition and load securement. The driver is responsible for ensuring all these things are in order before moving the vehicle.

Of course, the greater risk is of danger to the public or driver, but sometimes a dollar sign inspires extra thought. Mountain View County Patrol would rather you keep your money and your vehicle. PLEASE be aware of who you are loaning your vehicle to as well as the condition and status of any vehicle you are borrowing.

Should you have any questions about this, or related matters, County Patrol Officers would be pleased to hear from you at 403-335-3311

