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*I think most of us who drive to LaCholla through the notorious speed-trap town of Sonoyta have learned one way or another to never exceed 24mph through their community. I have been calling this “leading the parade”. Some of the drivers behind me do not appreciate my cautious speed and pass me with a gesture that I interpret as “You’re Number One”! Often, shortly down the road they find out the “hard way” the purpose of my slow, deliberate speed: the Policía Municipal de Sonoyta. Recently, I have noticed the Puerto Peñasco Tourism and Convention Bureau has installed similar signs as they have in Peñasco with the speeding fines clearly displayed. So, I’m hoping less frequent travelers will avoid an expensive fine. The last trip down, I led the parade until well on the other side of the overhead sign where they collect donations for the Red Cross or DIF. When it was safe to increase speed, I noticed two National Guard cars parked on the right side of the highway. Unfortunately, someone, tired of my parade passed me and zoomed by the troopers. One of the troopers went immediately after them with sirens and lights on, pulling them over to the highway shoulder. I cautiously passed both cars, but immediately wondered if the new Mexican National Guard could issue traffic citations. After a little research, the short answer is YES!*

*I found a very well done youtube video on the National Guard put together by an American Expat living in Mexico, He lives down near Cancun, but the information on the National Guard applies in the entire country.*

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