

FULL PAYMENT OF THE FEES AND THE ABOVE FORMS PROPERLY COMPLETED MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE COURT OFFICE (ON OR BEFORE THE APPEARANCE DATE SHOWN ON THE FRONT OF YOUR CITATION (10 CALENDAR DAYS FROM DATE OF OFFENSE). LATE OR INCOMPLETE REQUESTS WILL BE REJECTED. REQUESTS THAT ARE APPROVED WILL BE MAILED FORMS TO THE ADDRESS INDICATED ABOVE. DO NOT TAKE THE COURSE BEFORE OBTAINING COURT APPROVAL.

HOW TO REQUEST A DRIVING SAFETY COURSE

You may be eligible to attend a driving safety course or a motorcycle safety course (if you were operating a motorcycle at the time of the citation) for dismissal of your ticket. You can only take a driving safety course for ONE violation.

You are eligible for a Driving Safety Course if:

1) You do not possess a Commercial Drivers License.

2) You have not completed a Driving Safety Course for ticket dismissal in the previous 12 months (calculated from date of previous completion date to the violation date of your current citation).

3) You have a valid Texas driver’s license or permit.

4) You have valid proof of insurance showing you as a covered driver.

5) Your violation was not in a construction/work zone with workers present.

6) Your citation was for a moving violation.

7) If cited for speeding, your actual speed must be less than 25mph over the speed limit.

If you are eligible, you may sign up for a Driving Safety Course by sending the following 5 items to the Court or appearing at the Court on or before your appearance date:

1) Required fees: \$108.00 for Non-School Zone Violations

2) A copy of your valid Texas Driver’s license.

3) A copy of your valid insurance showing you as a covered driver.

4) The Driving Safety Course request form below (completed).

5) The Driving Safety Course Affidavit form below (completed).

DRIVING SAFETY COURSE REQUEST

I wish to enter a plea of NO CONTEST, waive my right to a jury trial and request Driving Safety Course for

citation # _____ Violation Charged: _____.

I understand that the instructions will be mailed to me at the address indicated below.

Signature Printed Name

Street Address City State Zip Code

Day Time Telephone Cell Telephone Number

DRIVING SAFETY COURSE AFFIDAVIT

I, _____ state under oath that I am not in the process of taking a driving safety course under Code of Criminal Procedure Article 45.0511, or a motorcycle operators course nor have I completed a driving safety course under that section or a motorcycle operators course under the mandatory provisions that is not yet reflected on my driver’s record as maintained by the Texas Dept of Public Safety. The foregoing representations are true and correct in all respects, and by signing below acknowledge the accuracy of the above statements.

Defendant’s Signature

Sworn and Subscribed before me, the undersigned authority on

this the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Notary Seal:

COMPLIANCE DISMISSALS

You must appear as directed in the Municipal Court of Argyle, Texas on or before ten (10) calendar days from the date of offense.

2. EXPIRED INSPECTION STICKER

The violation may be dismissed, if the vehicle was inspected within twenty (20) working days from the date of the citation, sufficient proof is submitted to the court, **the inspection sticker wasn’t expired for more than 60 days** and the \$20.00 dismissal fee is paid. Or pay the fine of \$146.00

3. EXPIRED REGISTRATION

The violation may be dismissed, if the vehicle was registered within twenty (20) working days from the date of the citation, sufficient proof is submitted to the court, **the penalty fee was paid to the tax assessor office** and the \$20.00 dismissal fee is paid. Or pay the of \$113.00

4. EXPIRED DRIVERS LICENSE

The violation may be dismissed, if the **driver’s license was renewed within twenty (20) working days from the date of the citation**, sufficient proof is submitted to the court and the \$20.00 dismissal fee is paid. Or pay the fine of \$114.00

5. DRIVING WITHOUT LICENSE IN POSSESSION

The violation may be dismissed, if sufficient proof of a **valid license on the date of the citation** is presented to the court on or before your appearance date and the \$10.00 dismissal fee is paid. Or pay the fine of \$114.00

6. NO INSURANCE/FMFR

The violation may be dismissed, if sufficient proof of a **valid insurance policy on the date and at the time of the citation** is presented to the court on or before your appearance date and after verification from your insurance company. Or pay the fine of \$247.00

7. FAIL TO CHANGE NAME/ADDRESS ON DL

The violation may be dismissed, if sufficient proof is presented to the court on or before your appearance date and the \$20.00 dismissal fee is paid. Or pay the fine of \$114.00

FINES:

SPEEDING – (MILES OVER THE POSTED SPEED LIMIT)

1-10 \$168.00 11-15 \$179.00 16-20 \$189.00

21-25 \$199.00 26-30 \$209.00 31-40 \$229.00

50/UP \$299.00

VIOLATION AND FINE/STATE COURT COST:

No Insurance \$247.00 No Seat Belt \$147.00

Ran Stop Sign \$169.00 Fail to Stop for School Bus \$222.00

No/Exp. DL \$114.00 Fail to Change Address (DL) \$114.00

Parking in Firel Lane \$164.00 Poss. Drug Paraphernalia \$247.00

No/Exp. Vehicle Reg. \$113.00 No/Exp. Vehicle Insp. \$146.00

Parking in Handicap \$262.00

Fees are subject to change according to what the Legislature changes.

DRIVER’S RESPONSIBILITY SYSTEM

“A conviction of an offense under a traffic law of this state or a political subdivision of this state may result in the assessment on your driver’s license of a surcharge under the Driver Responsibility Program.”

Chapter 708 of the Transportation Code establishes a Driver’s Responsibility System. The system is based on points related to traffic convictions. Moving traffic violations will be assessed two points. Each year DPS will assess a surcharge on the license of a person who has accumulated six or more points during the preceding 36 month period. The Department of Public Safety (DPS) must collect the surcharge and may use automatic license suspension to collect. A No Insurance (Failure to Maintain Financial Responsibility) conviction earns the driver a surcharge of \$250.00 per year. A No Driver’s License conviction results in a surcharge of \$100.00. These surcharges will last three years. If you have questions about the driver’s responsibility system contact the DPS.

“If you are convicted of a misdemeanor offense involving violence where you are or were a spouse, intimate partner, parent, or guardian of the victim or are or were involved in another similar relationship with the victim, it may be unlawful for you to possess or purchase a firearm, including a hand gun or long gun, or ammunition, pursuant to federal law under 18 U.S.C. Section 922(g)(9) or Section 46.04(b). Texas Penal Code. If you have any questions whether these laws make it illegal for you to possess or purchase a firearm, you should consult an attorney.”