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Driving Safety Course or Motorcycle Operator Training Course

You may be eligible to request that a charge be dismissed by successfully completing a driving safety course, a motorcycle operator training course, or a specialized driving safety course

You will lose that right if, on or before your appearance date, you do not provide the court with notice of your request to take the course.

You are **NOT** eligible for this option if you answer **YES** to any of the following questions:

1. Do you hold a commercial driver's license?
2. Did you take a driving safety, a motorcycle operator training or specialized driving safety course within the 12 months preceding the date of this offense?
3. Did this offense occur in a Construction or Maintenance Work Zone?
4. Were you speeding 25 mph or more over the posted speed limit, or 95 mph or more?
5. Is your ticket for an offense other than a moving traffic violation?
6. Were you cited for not having a valid Texas Driver's License?
7. Were you charged with a violation of a state law related to motor vehicle traffic control, including a law regulating the operation of vehicles on highways, arising in connection with a fatal accident, i.e., improper or erratic traffic lane change or following the vehicle ahead too closely?

ELIGIBILITY and REQUEST for Driving Safety Course or Motorcycle Operator Training Course

The following documents must be brought to the court in person or emailed to our office on or before the appearance date shown on your citation:

1. Copy of **VALID TEXAS DRIVER'S LICENSE**
2. Copy of **VALID AUTO INSURANCE COVERAGE**
3. Complete **PLEA FORM** (provided by the court clerks)
4. Sign **DSC AFFIDAVIT** (provided by the court clerks)
*If unable to come to the office, the clerks may email you the Affidavit and you **MUST** sign it in front a notary public and then provide the clerks the original form by mailing it in to the office*
5. Pay the **COURT FEE OF \$144.00** by cash, credit/debit card, money order or cashier's check
If paying with money order or cashier's check, make it payable to Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4
If paying with card, you will use the Certified Payments services (please call to obtain info)
If paying with cash, you will need to present the EXACT dollar amount to the clerks

PLEASE NOTE that the request for Driving Safety Course MUST be given to the court BEFORE you start any course.

A course must be approved by the Texas Education Agency as required under Code of Criminal Procedures § 45.0511(b)