

SCHEDULE OF ACCEPTABLE FINES NO PERSONAL CHECKS ACCEPTED

No one connected with the Justice Court receives any part of the fine. All fine money is deposited With the County Treasury. The court costs are mandated by the state legislature and represent a Substantial part of the fine.

Speeding Violations

Miles per hour over Speed Limit

1 to 10 mph	-	\$155.00
11 to 15 mph over	-	\$175.00
16 to 20 mph over	-	\$195.00
21 mph and over posted limit		\$298.00

- 1. Running stop sign----- \$155.00
- 2. Illegal, unsafe or improper turn----- \$155.00
- 3. Failure to drive in single lane----- \$155.00
- 4. Fail to yield right of way----- \$155.00
- 5. Expired driver's license or other license violations.----- \$155.00
- 6. Fail to change address----- \$155.00
- 7. Expired MVI----- \$155.00
- 8. Expired registration----- \$155.00
- 9. Disregard no passing zone----- \$155.00
- 10. Unsafe speed----- \$155.00
- 11. Seat belt violation----- \$160.00
- 12. Unrestrained child----- \$230.00
- 13. No driver's license----- \$298.00
- 14. Permit unlicensed driver to drive----- \$298.00
- 15. Fictitious registration or MVI----- \$298.00
- 16. Open container----- \$298.00
- 17. No liability insurance----- \$298.00
- 18. No liability insurance subsequent----- \$1098.00

Any violation not listed, contact the court clerk

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Judge CANNOT AND WILL NOT discuss your case with you. This is "ex parte" communications and is not allowed by law. The clerks can answer any questions you might have. HOLDERS of CDL license are not eligible for deferred or the Driving Safety Course.

REPLY FORM

Mail to the Justice Court indicated on the reverse side of this letter. If you wish to enter a plea of NOT GUILTY, you must follow the instructions on the reverse side of this letter. To enter a plea of GUILTY or NOLO CONTENDERE,

check one:

_____ I hereby enter a plea GUILTY and waive appearance for trial. Cashiers check or money order is enclosed.

_____ I hereby enter a plea of NOLO CONTENDERE (no contest) and waive appearance for trial. Cashier's check or money order is enclosed.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS ???

- 1) PLEA OF NOLO CONTENDERE OR GUILTY: Waiver of appearance before the court.
 - a. Remit CASHIER'S CHECK OR MONEY ORDER in the amount on the Schedule of acceptable fines,
Payable to MATAGORDACOUNTY.
- 3) Return this letter and copy of citation to assure proper credit.

4) PLEA OF NOT GUILTY: Desire to have a trial either by judge or jury. You must APPEAR IN PERSON or file your written plea on or before the appearance date on the citation. You will be notified by mail of the trial date.

*****If you fail to respond to this charge by the appearance date shown on the citation, an additional charge of Failure to Appear will be charged against you and a warrant will be issued. All appearance dates set on week-ends or holidays are forwarded to the next working day.

PAY BY CREDIT CARD

www.certifiedpayments.net or Call: 1-866-539-2020
Use JP Bureau Code Number AND Your Ticket Number

DRIVING SAFETY COURSE

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Valid Texas driver's license
2. Must have not had a driving safety class in the last 12 months
3. Send proof of insurance (All insurance will be verified with the company)
4. Send copy of ticket and self addressed stamped envelope
5. 24 mph or less over the posted speed limit-(25 mph or more disqualified from taking class)
6. \$108.10 in Cashier's Check or Money Order (NO PERSONAL CHECKS) made out to Matagorda County
7. You must enter a plea of nolo contendere or guilty and have PLEA REQUEST NOTORIZED
8. You have 90 days to take the class

PLEA REQUEST FOR DRIVING SAFETY COURSE

I hereby enter a plea of NOLO CONTENDERE _____ GUILTY_____ and waive appearance for trial. I request the right to take a driving safety course or motorcycle operator training course approved by the Texas Department of Public Safety for the dismissal of a traffic violation. I am neither in the process of taking nor have I taken a driving course that does not reflect my driving record nor have I had the driving course within the last year.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned authority, on this the ____ day of _____, 20____.

_____ Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Commission Expiration Date: _____