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REPLY FORM

Mail this form, with other items requested, to the Justice Court listed on your ticket.

NAME (Print or type as it appears on your Driver's License)		Driver's License Number or Date of Birth
Current Mailing Address	City, State, Zip	Telephone Number (Daytime)
Ticket No. (Do not enclose ticket)	Date of Ticket	Date cited to appear on or before
Description of Violation #1 (enter plea below)	Email Address	Description of Violation #2 (enter plea below--only applies for more than 1 violation)

CHECK ONE AND CIRCLE PLEA: (Under 17 years of age must appear with parent or guardian)

- 1 I hereby enter a plea of (circle one) GUILTY or NO CONTEST to violation #____, (and violation #____) and waive appearance for trial. A **Cashier's Check** or **Money Order** in the amount of the fine(s), as shown on the reverse side, is enclosed, or I have paid by credit card. I understand that payment of the fine will result in a conviction.
- 2 I hereby enter a plea of (circle one) GUILTY or NO CONTEST to violation #____ (and violation #____) and waive appearance for trial, and request that the Court grant me deferred disposition. *If you are younger than 25 years of age, you must complete a driver safety course.*
- 3 I hereby enter a plea of (circle one) GUILTY or NO CONTEST to violation #____, waive appearance for trial, and request a Driving Safety Course (DSC). I have completely filled out Section B. **(DSC for one violation only)**
- 4 I hereby enter a plea of NOT GUILTY to alleged violation #____ (and alleged violation #____) and request the court advise me of my trial date.

CHECK TYPE OF TRIAL DESIRED: _____ I request a JURY Trial.
 _____ I waive my right to a Jury Trial and request a trial before the court (Trial before a Judge).

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

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THIS AFFIDAVIT IS YOUR COURT APPROVAL TO TAKE THE DRIVER SAFETY COURSE

IF YOU COMPLY WITH ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS BELOW, YOU ARE APPROVED FOR THE DRIVER SAFETY COURSE AND WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE COURT.

FAILURE TO REMIT THIS FORM ON OR BEFORE YOUR APPEARANCE DATE WILL RESULT IN INELIGIBILITY FOR THE COURSE

Please indicate (T) True or (F) False next to the statements listed below. If any are False, you are NOT eligible for the Driving Safety Course.

- _____ I do NOT possess a Commercial Driver's License. (If you **possess** a CDL you are not eligible to take DSC, regardless of the vehicle operated.)
- _____ I have completely filled out (checked the box requesting D.S.C.) and enclosed the REPLY FORM (Section A, Box 3).
- _____ I possess a valid TEXAS driver's license or permit.
- _____ I have NOT taken a driving safety course in lieu of paying a fine during the past year.
- _____ I am NOT in the process of taking a driving safety course to dismiss another offense.
- _____ This violation did NOT occur in a construction zone while workers were present.
- _____ I understand I CANNOT take the driving safety course if I am accused of speeding 95 miles per hour or more, or speeding 25 MPH or more over the posted speed limit.
- _____ I enclose **valid** proof of Financial Responsibility (insurance). (A photocopy is acceptable--NO ORIGINALS PLEASE)
- _____ I enclose a **money order or cashier's check (No personal checks)** made payable to the Justice Court indicated, on the reverse side of this form, for the driver safety fee, in the amount of **\$146.00** or I have paid the fee by credit card.
- _____ I understand that I pay only the driver safety fee in the amount of **\$146.00, (\$171.00 if in a school zone)** and NOT the fine assessed on the reverse side of this form.
- _____ I understand that this form **Must** be NOTARIZED. I further understand that I **MUST** submit this form prior to completing the driver safety course.
- _____ I understand that I am responsible for **completing a TX Dept of Regulation & Licensing approved Driving Safety Course within 90 days from the date this form is notarized.**
- _____ I understand that I must remit the **signed Court Copy** of the DSC certificate of completion to the Court, **with my certified driving record before the expiration of 120 days from the notarized date.**

Under Penalty of Perjury, I swear or affirm that the above is true and correct.

DEFENDANT'S SIGNATURE

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME this the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

NOTARY PUBLIC/ COURT CLERK


READ ALL OF THE FOLLOWING BEFORE CALLING THE COURT

PLEASE NOTE: The Judge cannot discuss the merits of a pending judicial proceeding prior to trial (Canon 3(B)(5). Code of Judicial Conduct).

YOU MUST CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:

OPTION 1 - Pay Your Ticket

Determine your fine by the schedule below.

Circle GUILTY or NO CONTEST on the REPLY FORM (other side – Section A, Check Box 1). Send  (mail):

 completed REPLY FORM – Section A

 payment by Cashier's Check or Money Order made payable to the Justice Court with the Precinct number of the court circled below (must match the same Judge that is on ticket). **(No Personal Checks or Cash accepted)** or you may pay by credit card (see forms of payment information below) **Payments that are mailed, must be postmarked by the appearance date noted on your ticket.**

OPTION 2 – Deferred Disposition (Article 45.051 CCP)

If you hold a CDL, you are not eligible for deferred disposition. If you qualify for deferred disposition and the Court grants it, you will be placed on unsupervised probation for a period not to exceed 180 days, and if at the end of that period you have complied with the terms of your probation, your case will be dismissed. **You MUST contact the Court for this option.** If you are younger than 25 years of age, you must complete a driver safety course as a term of your probation. **A fee will be required.** Your request must be postmarked by the appearance date on your ticket.



OPTION 3 - Take Driving Safety Course

To be eligible you MUST do ALL of the following:

1. Complete the REPLY FORM (other side – Section A, Check Box 3).
2. Complete the AFFIDAVIT FOR DRIVING SAFETY COURSE AND HAVE FORM NOTARIZED (other side – Section B).
3. Mail REPLY FORM with Notarized AFFIDAVIT, Proof of Insurance, and Cashier's Check or Money Order for \$146.00, (\$171.00 if in a school zone). All items must be postmarked by your appearance date to the court that is listed on your ticket. You may also pay the fee by credit card (see information below)
4. Request a certified copy of your driving record from DPS by applying online @ <https://www.dps.texas.gov/internetforms/Forms/DR-1.pdf>. **You will check Box 3A OR CONTACT DPS @ 512-424-2000 to have a form mailed to you.** A fee will be required to obtain your record.

OPTION 4 - Ask for Trial



You must send: 

-  Completed REPLY FORM (other side – Section A, Check Box 4), noting NOT GUILTY plea and desired Judge or Jury trial
-  Copy of Driver's License **You will be notified by mail of trial date - you MUST notify court if your address changes.**

OPTION 5 - Do Nothing

A phone call is NOT an appearance, you MUST enter a plea in person or in writing!

After your appearance date passes and you have failed to appear (enter a plea) in court:

-  You may be charged with an additional violation of Violate Promise to Appear or Failure to Appear and warrants will be issued for your arrest.
-  **The renewal of your Driver's License may be Denied and you will be turned over to an attorney for collection. Additional fees will be applied.**

SCHEDULE OF ACCEPTABLE FINES (EFFECTIVE January 6, 2020)

Contact Court If Violation Is Not Listed, Occurred In A School Zone, or In A Construction Zone With Workers Present

TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS (COURT COSTS ARE INCLUDED)

SPEEDING:

1 to 10 MPH over speed limit.....	\$199.00
11 to 15 MPH over speed limit.....	\$209.00
16 to 20 MPH over speed limit.....	\$269.00
21 to 25 MPH over speed limit.....	\$329.00
26 MPH over speed limit.....	\$334.00
No Driver's License & Permitting unlicensed driver to drive.....	\$283.00
No Commercial Driver's License	\$314.00
Driving While License Invalid (first offense).....	\$394.00
Expired Driver's License/D.L violation.....	\$154.00
Expired Registration	\$154.00

*****PLEASE DO NOT FAX THIS FORM TO THE COURT*****

Expired Inspection.....	\$154.00
Seat Belt Violations	\$154.00
Unrestrained Child	Contact Court
Passing in No Passing Zone	\$334.00
Wrong Side of Road / Wrong Way	\$334.00
No Liability Insurance (first offense)	\$394.00
Disregard Official Traffic Control Device.....	\$274.00
Violate Promise to Appear/ Fail to Appear..	\$336.00 - \$583.00

MINORS/ JUVENILES & SCHOOL RELATED OFFENSES – CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE COURT TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT TO APPEAR WITH A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.

Hon. BILLY HEFNER-Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1
Mailing Address: P.O. BOX 783, Columbus, TX 78934,
Physical Address: 2215 Walnut, Columbus, TX 78934
979-732-2734 Fax 979-732-3022
Business Hours: Mon.- Fri. 8:00am-4:30pm, Closed for Lunch

Hon. BOE REEVES-Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 945, Weimar, TX 78962,
Physical Address: 105 E. Main, Weimar, TX 78962
979-725-8833 Fax 979-725-8671
Business Hours: Mon.- Fri. 8:00am-4:30pm

Hon. Francis J. Truchard-Justice of the Peace, Pct. 3
Mailing Address: 1117 Travis Street, Columbus, TX 78934
979-732-8725 Fax 979-732-2947
Business Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-4:30pm

Hon. STAN WARFIELD-Justice of the Peace, Pct. 4
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 396, Eagle Lake, TX 77434,
Physical Address: 121 N. McCarty, Eagle Lake, TX 77434
979-234-2042 Fax 979-234-2851
Business Hours: Mon. – Fri. 8:30am-4:30pm, Closed for Lunch

Forms of Payment Accepted:

**Cashier's Check or Money Order,
made payable to Colorado County**

To pay by Credit Card:

Via Web: <https://www.govrec.com/home/coloradocotx>

**** Please Note: If you are paying a deferred fee, you must contact the Court prior to making your payment by credit card.**

No Personal Checks or Cash Accepted