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Mon. through Thurs. 8:30 am to 4:30 pm • Fri. 8:30 am to 3:30 pm
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READ ALL OF THE FOLLOWING BEFORE CONTACTING THE COURT

Your court appearance date can be met by doing one of the following options and MAILING — postmarked no later than the court date at bottom of ticket. Telephone call DOES NOT constitute court appearance.

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

This letter is furnished as a courtesy to you by the Justice of the Peace, Precinct #3 of Colorado County to assist you in making disposition of the charge or charges against you. You will receive no further contact from the court unless you fail in your responsibility to take care of your citation. You will not be eligible for Driving Safety Course and Deferred Adjudication if you have a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) or were cited 25 mph or more over speed limit. Please choose the appropriate option:

OPTION 1 — PAY YOUR TICKET

Determine your fine by the schedule below.
 Circle guilty or nolo contendere on the REPLY FORM (Section A). Send (mail):

- completed REPLY FORM — **Section A**
- and payment by **Cashier's Check or Money Order (No personal checks accepted)** made payable to J.P. Precinct #3 to the address above **postmarked by the appearance date noted on the bottom of your ticket.** Payment may be made by **Credit Card** (American Express, MasterCard, Discover and VISA) by calling 1-800-272-9829 or visiting www.officialpayments.com, reference Jurisdiction Code 6312. Official payments, the service provider, charges a nominal fee for this service. If payment is made by credit card, paperwork **MUST** be mailed in.

OPTION 2 — DEFERRED DISPOSITION (Article 45.051CCP)

You will be put on probation for 30 days (non-supervision). During the probation period, you cannot be convicted of any traffic conviction anywhere in the state of Texas. After the 30 days, if you did not violate your probation, **THE TICKET WILL BE DISMISSED.** The probation period will start the day the court receives the request for deferred. To be eligible you must do the following:

1. You must pay \$50.00 plus the amount of your ticket violation (**listed beside**) - the total fine becomes a fee and total fee cost cannot exceed \$298.00. - **Cashier's Check or Money Order.** Example: If you were cited 8 miles over the speed limit, you would mail in a total of \$190.00 (\$50.00 deferred fee + \$140.00 amount of the ticket). Payment may be made by **Credit Card** (American Express, MasterCard, Discover and VISA) by calling 1-800-272-9829 or visiting www.officialpayments.com, reference Jurisdiction Code 6312. Official payments, the service provider, charges a nominal fee for this service. If payment is made by credit card, paperwork **MUST** be mailed in.
2. You must enter a plea (**Section A**). Deferred will be denied if a plea is not circled.
3. Sign and date the reply form (**Section A**)
4. This information must be postmarked on or before the appearance date listed on the bottom of your ticket.
5. You will not be eligible if you have a Commercial Driver's License (CDL).
6. If you were cited 25 mph over the speed limit, you must contact the court in person.
7. If you are 25 years or under, by law you are required to take and complete a driver's safety course (effective September 1, 2005).

OPTION 3 — TAKE DRIVING SAFETY COURSE (Article 45.0511CCP)

To be eligible you **MUST** do **ALL** of the following:

1. Complete the REPLY FORM (**Section A**).
2. Complete the REQUEST FORM FOR DRIVING SAFETY COURSE (**Section B**).
3. Mail REPLY FORM, REQUEST FORM, Proof of Insurance, and **Cashier's Check or Money Order (No personal checks accepted)** for \$110.00, made payable to J.P. Precinct #3, postmarked **Certified Mail** by your appearance date, to the above address. Payment may be made by **Credit Card** (American Express, MasterCard, Discover and VISA) by calling 1-800-272-9829 or visiting www.officialpayments.com, reference Jurisdiction Code 6312. Official payments, the service provider, charges a nominal fee for this service. If payment is made by credit card, paperwork **MUST** be mailed in **Certified Mail**.
4. Mail REQUEST FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF DRIVING RECORD (**Application for Copy of Driving Record**) to DPS along with \$10.00 fee.
5. Make sure ALL information is typed or legibly printed. Re-check envelope to make sure all items are enclosed.
6. You will not be eligible if you have a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) or were cited 25 mph or more over speed limit.

OPTION 4 — ASK FOR TRIAL

You must send:

- Completed REPLY FORM (**Section A**), noting NOT GUILTY plea and desired Judge or Jury trial
- Copy of Driver's License

You will be notified by mail of your 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 an additional violation of Violate Promise to Appear - Fine \$298.00
- **Warrants** will be issued for your arrest, plus an additional \$50.00 warrant fee for each warrant.
- **The renewal of your Driver's License may be Denied.**

SCHEDULE OF ACCEPTABLE FINES (EFFECTIVE JANUARY, 2010)

No one connected with the Justice Court receives any part of the fine. All fine money is deposited with the County Treasurer except for the Court Costs. The Court Costs are mandated by the State Legislature and are sent to the State. These Court Costs represent a substantial part of the fine.

TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS

1. SPEEDING:	
1 to 5 MPH over speed limit	\$ 130.00
6 to 10 MPH over speed limit	\$ 140.00
11 to 15 MPH over speed limit	\$ 160.00
16 to 20 MPH over speed limit	\$ 200.00
21 to 24 MPH over speed limit	\$ 240.00
25 MPH over speed limit	\$ 298.00
2. Expired Driver's License / D.L. Violation	\$ 130.00
3. No Driver's License & Permitting unlicensed driver to drive	\$ 298.00
4. Driving While License Invalid (first offense)	\$ 298.00
5. No Commercial Driver's License	\$ 298.00
6. Expired Registration	\$ 130.00
7. Expired Inspection	\$ 130.00
8. Seat Belt Violations	\$ 130.00
9. Unrestrained Child	\$ 275.00
10. Passing in No Passing Zone	\$ 298.00
11. Wrong Side of Road / Wrong Way	\$ 250.00
12. No Liability Insurance (first offense)	\$ 298.00
12. Violate Promise to Appear	\$ 298.00
14. All other Violations	\$ 200.00

NEW CORRECTIVE DISMISSAL FEES (EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2010)

OFFENSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION NEEDED	TIME ALLOWED FOR CORRECTION	DISMISSAL FEE
EXPIRED DRIVER'S LICENSE	OBTAIN DRIVER'S LICENSE	20 WORKING DAYS or BEFORE COURT DATE (whichever is greater)	\$20.00
FAILURE TO CARRY DRIVER'S LICENSE	PRODUCE LICENSE IN COURT	ON OR BEFORE COURT DATE	\$10.00
VIOLATE LICENSE RESTRICTION	HAVE DPS REMOVE RESTRICTION OR HAVE SURGICAL CORRECTION	ON OR BEFORE COURT DATE	\$10.00
FAILING TO NOTIFY DPS OF ADDRESS CHANGE	MUST FILE CHANGE OF ADDRESS WITH DPS	MUST FILE WITH DPS WITHIN 10 WORKING DAYS	\$20.00*
EXPIRED VEHICLE REGISTRATION	OBTAIN VEHICLE REGISTRATION	20 WORKING DAYS or BEFORE COURT DATE (whichever is greater)	\$20.00
REGISTRATION PURCHASED BUT NOT ON VEHICLE or NO TWO LICENSE PLATES ON VEHICLE	PUT REGISTRATION ON VEHICLE OR PUT 2ND PLATE ON VEHICLE	ON OR BEFORE COURT DATE	\$10.00
OBSCURED LICENSE PLATE	REMOVE OBSTRUCTION FROM LICENSE PLATE	ON OR BEFORE COURT DATE	\$10.00
VEHICLE INSPECTION VIOLATION (if less than 60 days out of date)	CORRECT VIOLATION	20 WORKING DAYS or BEFORE COURT DATE (whichever is greater)	\$20.00
EXPIRED VESSEL CERTIFICATE (if less than 60 days out of date)	OBTAIN VESSEL CERTIFICATE	WITHIN 10 DAYS OF VIOLATION	\$10.00
EQUIPMENT VIOLATION (except commercial motor vehicle)	CORRECT VIOLATION	ON OR BEFORE COURT DATE	\$10.00

All corrective dismissals are up to discretion of Judge with two exceptions. A person charged with failing to carry a driver's license is entitled to a dismissal if they produce the license in court. In addition, a person correcting an inspection sticker within the guidelines is entitled to a dismissal.

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REPLY FORM

Mail this form, with other items requested, to J.P. PRECINCT #3, 1117 TRAVIS STREET, COLUMBUS, TEXAS 78934.

All Cashier Check or Money Order made payable to J. P. Precinct 3 - Colorado County

Payment may be made by **Credit Card** (American Express, MasterCard, Discover and VISA) by calling 1-800-272-9829 or visiting www.officialpayments.com, reference Jurisdiction Code 6312. Official payments, the service provider, charges a nominal fee for this service. If payment is made by credit card, paperwork MUST be mailed in.

PLEASE PRINT

LAST NAME _____	FIRST NAME _____	MIDDLE (MI) _____	Driver's License Number _____
Current Mailing Address _____	City, State, Zip _____	Date of Birth _____	
Telephone Number (Daytime) _____	Citation No. (located on top right side of green ticket or top left of white ticket) _____	Date of Citation _____	

Paid by Credit Card: Confirmation # _____, Date paid _____ Paid by (mark one): Phone Internet

VIOLATION(S) ARE LOCATED IN THE LOWER LEFT PORTION OF TICKET.

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

- I hereby enter a plea of (**circle one**) **GUILTY** / **NOLO CONTENDERE** to violation # _____, (and violation # _____) and waive appearance for trial. A **Cashier's Check or Money Order** in the total amount of the fine(s) is enclosed.
- I hereby enter a plea of (**circle one**) **GUILTY** / **NOLO CONTENDERE** to violation # _____, (and violation # _____) waive appearance for trial, and request that the Court grant me Deferred Disposition (**Cashier's Check or Money Order**).
- I hereby enter a plea of (**circle one**) **GUILTY** / **NOLO CONTENDERE** to violation # _____, waive appearance for trial, and request that the Court grant me a Driving Safety Course (DSC). I have completely filled out the DSC request below (**Cashier's Check or Money Order**). I must mail in request by **Certified Mail**.
- I hereby enter a plea of **NOT GUILTY** to violation # _____, (and violation # _____) and request the court advise me of my trial date.

CHECK ONE (Only check one if your plead is NOT GUILTY to charges):

_____ I request a JURY Trial.

_____ I waive my right to a Jury Trial and request a trial before the court.

Signature _____

Date _____

REQUEST FORM FOR DRIVING SAFETY COURSE (mail CERTIFIED to COURT if requesting DSC)

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

Please indicate True or False next to the statements listed. If any are False, you are NOT eligible for the Driving Safety Course and you must refer to the above form.

- _____ I have completely filled out (checked the box requesting D.S.C.) and enclosed the REPLY FORM (Section A).
- _____ 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 12 months.
- _____ 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.
- _____ This violation did NOT occur in a school zone.
- _____ I do not possess a Commercial Driver's License (if you possess a CDL, you are not eligible for Driving Safety Course).
- _____ I understand I CANNOT take the driving safety course in lieu of paying the fine if I am accused of speeding 25 MPH or more over the posted speed limit.
- _____ I enclose proof of Financial Responsibility (insurance). (A photocopy is acceptable — NO ORIGINALS PLEASE)
- _____ I enclose a **Money Order, Cashier's Check or Credit Card** (circle one) (**No personal checks**) made payable to J.P. Precinct #3, in the amount of \$110.00.
- _____ I understand this form Must be NOTARIZED.
- _____ I understand that I am responsible for **completing and mailing** a D.P.S. approved Driving Safety Course **within 90 days** from the date this form is notarized. (It will take up to 2 to 3 weeks to receive the DSC Certificate - therefore you MUST complete the course at least one month before the 90 day completion date. No extension will be extended.)
- _____ I have completed and mailed the form on the next page (Application for Copy of Driving Record) to D.P.S. in Austin with \$10.00.

IF YOU HAVE COMPLIED WITH THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE DRIVERS SAFETY COURSE AND WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE COURT.

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

SIGNATURE

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

(SEAL)

NOTARY PUBLIC

SECTION A

SECTION B

APPLICATION FOR COPY OF DRIVER RECORD

Mail to: Driver Records Bureau, Texas Department of Public Safety, Box 149246, Austin, Texas 78714-9246

MAKE CHECK or MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO: TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Any questions regarding the information on this form should be directed to Customer Service at 512/424-2600. Allow 2-3 weeks for delivery.

CHECK TYPE OF RECORD DESIRED

FEE

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. Name - DOB - License Status - Latest Address. | \$ 4.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. Name - DOB - License Status - List of Accidents/Moving Violations in Record within Immediate Past 3 Year Period. | \$ 6.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 2A. CERTIFIED version of #2. This Record Is Not Acceptable for DDC Course. | \$ 10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. Name - DOB - License Status - List of ALL Accidents and Violations in Record. Furnished to Licensee ONLY. | \$ 7.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3A. CERTIFIED version of #3. Furnished to Licensee ONLY and is Acceptable for DDC Course | \$ 10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other: (Original Application, DWLS, etc.) _____ (If Required) | \$ _____ |

MAIL DRIVER RECORD TO: Requestor's Name **Justice of the Peace, Pct. 3** DL Number _____

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

Address **1117 Travis Street**

City, State, Zip Code **Columbus, TX 78934** Telephone # **979-732-8725**

If requesting on behalf of a business, organization, or other entity, please include the following:

Name of business, organization, entity, etc. _____

Your Title or Affiliation with above _____

Type of business, organization, etc. _____
(i.e. Insurance provider, towing company, private investigation firm, etc.)

INFORMATION REQUESTED ON:

Texas Driver License # _____ Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year) _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle/Maiden _____

INDIVIDUAL'S WRITTEN CONSENT FOR ONE TIME RELEASE TO ABOVE REQUESTOR

(Requestor, if you do not meet one of the exceptions listed on the back of this form, please be advised that without the written consent of the driver licence/ID card holder, the record you receive will not include personal information.)

I, _____, hereby certify that I grant access on this one occasion to my Driver License/ID Card record, inclusive of the personal information (name, address, driver identification number, etc.), to _____

Signature of License/ID Card Holder or Parent/Legal Guardian _____

Date _____

State and federal law requires requestors to agree to the following:

In requesting and using this information, I acknowledge that this disclosure is subject to the federal Driver's Privacy Protection Act (18 U.S.C. Sect. 2721 et seq.) and Texas Transportation Code Chapter 730. False statements or representations to obtain personal information pertaining to any individual from the DPS could result in the denial to release any driver record information to myself and the entity for which I made the request. Further, I understand that if I receive personal information as a result of this request, it may only be used for the stated purpose and I may only resell or redisclose the information pursuant to Texas Transportation Code §730.013. Violations of that section may result in a criminal charge with the possibility of a \$25,000 fine.

I certify that I have read and agree with the above conditions and that the information provided by me in this request is true and correct. If I am requesting this driver record on behalf of an entity, I also certify that I am authorized by that entity to make this request on their behalf. I also acknowledge that failure to abide by the provisions of this agreement and any state and federal privacy law can subject me to both criminal and civil penalties.

Signature of Requestor _____

Date _____

If you are not requesting a copy of your own record or do not have the written consent of DL/ID holder, you must provide the information requested on the reverse.

The Texas Department of Public Safety may disclose personal information to a requestor without written consent of the DL/ID holder, on proof of their identity and a certification by the requestor that the use of the personal information is authorized under state and federal law and that the information will be used only for the purpose stated and in complete compliance with state and federal law.

You must meet one or more of the following exceptions if you do not have written consent of the DL/ID holder to be entitled to receive personal information on the above named individual. Please initial each category that applies to the requested driver record.

- _____ 1. For use in connection with any matter of (a) motor vehicle or motor vehicle operator safety; (b) motor vehicle theft; (c) motor vehicle emissions; (d) motor vehicle product alterations, recalls, or advisories; (e) performance monitoring of motor vehicles or motor vehicle dealers by a motor vehicle manufacturer; or (f) removal of nonowner records from the original owner records of a motor vehicle manufacturer to carry out the purposes of the Automobile Information Disclosure Act, the Anti Car Theft Act of 1992, the Clean Air Act, and any other statute or regulation enacted or adopted under or in relation to a law included in the above.
- _____ 2. For use by a government agency in carrying out its functions or a private entity acting on behalf of a government agency in carrying out its functions.
- _____ 3. For use in connection with a matter of (a) motor vehicle or motor vehicle operator safety; (b) motor vehicle theft; (c) motor vehicle product alterations, recalls, or advisories; (d) performance monitoring of motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts, or motor vehicle dealers; (e) motor vehicle market research activities, including survey research; or (f) removal of nonowner records from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers.
- _____ 4. For use in the normal course of business by a legitimate business or an authorized agent of the business, but only to verify the accuracy of personal information submitted by the individual to the business or the authorized agent of the business and to obtain correct information if the submitted information is incorrect to prevent fraud by pursuing a legal remedy against, or recovering on a debt or security interest against the individual.
- _____ 5. For use in conjunction with a civil, criminal, administrative, or arbitral proceeding in any court or government agency or before any self regulatory body, including service of process, investigation in anticipation of litigation, execution or enforcement of a judgment or order, or under an order of any court.
- _____ 6. For use in research or in producing statistical reports, but only if the personal information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact any individual.
- _____ 7. For use by an insurer or insurance support organization, or by a self insured entity, or an authorized agent of the entity, in connection with claims investigation activities, antifraud activities, rating or underwriting.
- _____ 8. For use in providing notice to an owner of a towed or impounded vehicle.
- _____ 9. For use by a licensed private investigator agency or licensed security service for a purpose permitted as stated on this page.
- _____ 10. For use by an employer or an authorized agent or insurer of the employer to obtain or verify information relating to a holder of a commercial driver license that is required under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 313.
- _____ 11. For use in connection with the operation of a private toll transportation facility.
- _____ 12. For use by a consumer-reporting agency as defined by the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. §1681 et seq.) for a purpose permitted under the Act.
- _____ 13. For any other purpose specifically authorized by law that relates to the operation of a motor vehicle or to public safety.

Please state specific statutory authority _____

- _____ 14. For use in the preventing, detecting, or protecting against identity theft or other acts of fraud. The Department prior to release of personal information may require additional information.