

READ THIS LETTER

CITY OF JUNCTION MUNICIPAL COURT
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JUDGE DALE JOHNSON
MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

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This letter is furnished as a courtesy to you by the Municipal Court of Junction, Texas, to assist you in making disposition of the charge(s) filed against you. The Court requires a plea to begin disposition of your case. Please refer to your citation for your court appearance date.

“ 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 handgun 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.”

To enter a plea of NOT GUILTY and you desire a trial, you must so indicate in the proper space provided below. When you enter a plea of NOT GUILTY, you or your attorney must make an appearance before the Court or enter your plea in writing and mail it to the Judge whose name appears on this letter. You must also post an Appearance Bond in the amount of \$250.00 for each charge filed against you, and mail this, along with the letter, to the Judge. You must return your bond, this letter, your copy of the citation, and your plea in writing no later than the appearance date shown on the Citation. You will be notified by mail of the court date set for your hearing. You must choose a trial by Judge or jury. When you employ an attorney, please include their name and address.

If you wish to enter a plea of GUILTY or NOLO CONTENDRE, please indicate in the proper space provided below. A plea of NOLO CONTENDRE means that you are not contesting the State's charge(s) against you. The fine for NOLO CONTENDRE plea is the same as that for GUILTY. Either plea indicates that you agree to waive appearance before this Court and the applicable fine is due by appearance date. If a capias must be issued for failure to pay a fine, a charge of \$50.00 will be added. The State requires an additional fee of \$25.00 for any payments paid past 30 days of judgment on each charge.

Refer to the schedule shown on the reverse side of this letter to determine the total amount of fine(s) and costs assessed against you. Make your remittance, by money order or cashiers check ONLY, to the Municipal Court address at the top of this letter. Return your copy of the citation and this letter with your remittance to assure proper credit. If you fail to respond to this charge by the appearance date shown on the citation, an additional charge will be assessed against you for FAILURE TO APPEAR and a WARRANT for your arrest will be issued. Your prompt attention to this matter is imperative.

Remember, the Court must have your plea before disposition of your case can begin.

REPLY FORM

Please check one (1) plea below:

Violation / Citation # :

I hereby enter a plea of NOT GUILTY and enclose my plea in writing along with my choice of TRIAL BY JURY or TRIAL BY JUDGE. Also, should you desire a trial, the Court will not be bound by the schedule of fines.

I hereby enter a plea of NOLO CONTENDRE and waive appearance for trial, the fine amount is enclosed.

(Cashiers check or money order)
Enclose your copy of citation and plea with your remittance or bond.

I hereby enter a plea of GUILTY and waive appearance for trial, the fine amount is enclosed.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Failure to appear on fineable traffic violations may result in DPS denial of renewal of driver's license and or renewal of vehicle registration. Any fine submitted for collection will carry a 30% additional fee to all charges.

OFFICIAL PAYMENTS CORP.



Pay your fine by Credit Card

Call 1-800-2PAY-TAX

or visit www.officialpayments.com

(Use jurisdiction code 6186)

There will be a nominal fee charged for this service.

SCHEDULE OF ACCEPTABLE FINES INCLUDING COURT COSTS

SPEED VIOLATION		SCHOOL ZONE
1 - 5 MPH OVER	\$ 129.00	\$ 154.00
6 - 10 MPH OVER	\$ 139.00	\$ 164.00
11 - 15 MPH OVER	\$ 164.00	\$ 189.00
16 - 20 OVER	\$ 179.00	\$ 205.00
21 - 25 OVER	\$ 205.00	\$ 230.00
26 - 30 MPH OVER	\$ 245.00	\$ 270.00
31 - MPH OR MORE OVER	\$ 301.00	\$ 330.00

OTHER VIOLATIONS: FIRST OFFENSE ONLY	
Passing School Bus	\$369.00
No Liability Insurance	\$315.00
Open Container (Alcohol) While Driving	\$165.00
No Driver's License, License Expired, Permit Unlicensed Driver to Drive	\$161.00
Parking Violation (State Law)	\$105.00
Expired Vehicle Registration, No Valid or Expired Vehicle Inspection Sticker, D.L. Restricted	\$134.00
Equipment Violation (Auto or Trailer) Headlights, Taillights, Window Tint, Muffler, Etc.	\$137.00
Failure to Control Speed, Following Too Closely	\$159.00
Running Stop Sign or Traffic Light or Obstructing Traffic	\$146.00
Fail to Yield Right of Way to Emergency Vehicle	\$201.00
Failure to Yield Right of Way, or Passing Violation	\$146.00
Backing or Pulling Away Without Safety	\$146.00
Illegal, Unsafe, or Improper Turn	\$146.00
Driving on Wrong Side of Roadway or One Way Street or Highway or In Passing Lane	\$159.00
Failure to Report Accident or Failure to Signal	\$136.00
Passengers Exceeding Three in Front - Failure to Dim Headlights	\$136.00
Failure to Drive in Single Lane or Changing Lane when Unsafe	\$156.00
Motorcycle Headgear	\$136.00
No Safety Belt, No Safety Seat, or Restraint (Under 8 yrs or less than 4'9" tall-FIRST Offense)	\$119.00
No Safety Belt, No Safety Seat, or Restraint (Under 8 yrs or less than 4'9" tall- SECOND or subsequent Offenses)	\$245.00
No Seat Belt (Adult and children over 8 years)	\$159.00
Failure to Appear or Failure to Respond to Court Order	\$343.00
Fireworks, Possession of, or shooting in City Limits (City Ordinance)	\$ 99.00
Traffic Court Cost of \$94.10 (+ \$25.00 school zone) or Non-Traffic Court Costs of \$61.10 are included in the above fine schedule for state law violations.	

You have the right to request a Driving Safety Course if you have not completed one in the last one (1) year prior to this citation, and if you have a Valid Texas Driver's License. **You will lose this right if you do not contact the Judge beforehand for eligibility on or before your appearance date.** To request a driving safety course you must submit a request in writing by certified mail, enter a plea of guilty or no contest, provide proof of financial responsibility and remit a fee of \$104.10.

If you furnish satisfactory proof within 10 working days of the violation that any of the following has been corrected (Operator's License, Registration, or Inspection), that charge may be dismissed upon receipt of proof and a \$ 20.00 Administrative Fee for each charge.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE FINE(S) OR OTHER VIOLATIONS NOT LISTED, YOU MAY CALL THIS OFFICE BETWEEN 2:00 - 5:00 PM. TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS. WE DO NOT ACCEPT COLLECT CALLS OR PERSONAL CHECKS. FINES MUST BE PAID BY MONEY ORDER OR CASHIER'S CHECK. PLEASE RE-READ THIS LETTER BEFORE CALLING.

***Note: The Judge cannot discuss the merits of a pending judicial proceeding prior to trial (Canon 3(5) Code of Judicial Conduct). This means the Judge cannot discuss your citation with you before the trial.**

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