## \*\*\*Fines are subject to change\*\*\*

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The following information is provided as a courtesy of the Justice Courts to assist you in taking care of the traffic Violation (s) with which you are charged. Most of the questions you have should be answered herein. If you have questions after reading the pamphlet, we will be happy to assist you.

# NO CASH OR PERSONAL CHECKS ACCEPTED

If you are a Minor (Under 17), you must be accompanied by your parent or guardian to see the Judge. Effective September 1, 2003. anyone who possesses a Commercial Driver's License is NO LONGER eligible to take a Driver's Safety Course or to request Deferred Disposition/ Adjudication from the Court, Whether you are driving a passenger or commercial vehicle.

#### **OUT OF STATE VIOLATIONS:**

Failure to comply with the terms of the citation will result in the issuance of a Non– Resident Violator Compact and your driver's license being SUSPENDED.

#### OPTIONS

A. To pay the fine without having to appear in Court:

1. Find the correct amount (on the back of this page) for the offense (s) which you are charged.

2. Fill out & sign the Plea form #1 below. Submit payment & the Plea to the Court by the appearance date, along with a copy of the ticket. All payments sent by mail MUST be postmarked on or before the appearance date. Cashier's Checks, Money Orders accepted, made payable to Howard County or the name of the Judge that appears on the Citation.

#### (ABSOLUTELY NO CASH OR PERSONAL CHECKS)

B. To plead Not Guilty, and request your case set for Trial:

1. Sign Form #2 below. Submit your plea form to the Justice Court (listed on your citation) by the appearance date. <u>You must circle your choice of trial.</u>

WARNGING! If you do not remit the fine, contact the Justice of the Peace office, and make arrangements by the appearance date on the citation, you will be assessed an additional charge for **FAILURE TO APPEAR**. IF a warrant is issued, additional fees will be added to the original amount owed on each violation.

YOU MAY BE DENIED the renewal of your DRIVER'S LICENSE.

PLEA FORM #1 I HEREBY PLEAD: (CIRCLE ONE) GUILTY NOLO-CONTENDERE TO THE CHARGE(S) AGAINST ME, WAIVE A JURY TRIAL, AND ENCLOSE PAYMENT. PLEA FORM #2 I HEREBY PLEAD

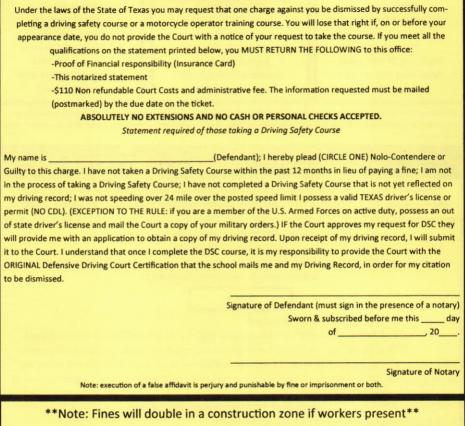
#### **NOT GUILTY**

TO THE CHARGE(S) AGAINST ME, AND I REQUEST A TRIAL BEFORE A (CIRCLE ONE) COURT JURY

(Signature of Defendant)

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## **Driving Safety Course**



### Fine amounts for miles over posted speed limit: (Revised 2015)

Speeding		Fail to control speed	\$175.00
1-5 MPH-\$135.00	16-20- \$205.00	Follow too Close	\$175.00
6-10 -\$155.00	21-25 —\$230.00	No Child Safety Seat	\$200.00
11-15 —\$180.00	26-30 —\$285.00	No Driver's License	\$200.00
31 & above over posted speed limit \$315.00		No Insurance	\$275.00
DSC not allowed Over 95 MPH or +25 MPH over Speed limit.		Pass/Fail yield Emergency/TXDOT Veh.	
			\$300.00
Allow Child Ride in open bed	\$250.00 \$150.00	Pass School Bus	\$600.00
Driver/ Passenger no seat belt		Run Stop Sign/ Light	\$230.00
Driving While license invalid	\$350.00		
Exp/ No Inspection	\$160.00	Disregard Warning sign-Construct. \$50000	
		Fail to drive in single lane	\$175.00
Exp/ No Registration	\$170.00	Fail to give way when being overtaken \$140.00	

For Violations not listed above, contact the Justice of the Peace Office.

----Payment Options ----

Fines may be paid by money order or cashier's check.

Payments can be made by debit or credit card. Additional \$6.25 convenience fee will be added. Contact the Court for information on how to pay online or by telephone. No Cash or personal checks accepted.