



**MUNICIPAL COURT
RAYMAH DAVIS, JUDGE**

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APPEARANCE & COMMUNICATION with this Court: Your **signature** on the citation, is **your promise to appear before this Court** on or before the appearance date (**on or before the 10th working day from date of citation**). Telephone calls **DO NOT** constitute an appearance. All requests and communications with this Court must be in **writing**. A signed and notarized PLEA, with payment, driver safety course request or a request for trial is acceptable, if **Postmarked** by the **10th working day** from date citation was issued. If convicted of an offense and the court determines you are unable to pay the full amount, there are alternatives which may include a payment plan or community service. Should you fail to respond by the 'on or before' date, an additional charge of Failure To Appear/Violation Promise to Appear will be filed against you, a warrant may be processed and issued for your arrest on all outstanding charges plus any and all costs and fees required to be paid; and will also result in the **denial of your driver's license renewal**. Certified or registered mail is advisable if you wish to be able to prove that you have met all requirements in a timely manner.

Upon receipt by the Court, a Plea of guilty of no contest, the Judge is available on Wednesdays from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Your **MAILING & PHYSICAL ADDRESSES**: Correct address information is **your responsibility**. All written communication will be mailed to the address on the citation, unless you notify this Court in writing that your address (mailing and physical) has been changed.

JUVENILE (under age 17, at least age 10): Charged with any offense, including Alcohol & Tobacco, **MUST** have parent/legal guardian contact this office regarding a Court Date and Time, including Jury and Non-Jury Trials.

MINOR (under age 21): Charged with any offense, including Alcohol & Tobacco, **MUST** personally contact this office regarding a Court Date and Time, including Jury and Non-Jury Trials.

Speeding 1-24 miles over	\$163.00	**in addition to \$5.00 per mile over the speed limit
25 miles or more over	\$187.00	**in addition to \$5.00 per mile over the speed limit
Speeding in School ZONE	CONTACT COURT	
Driving While License Invalid/Suspended	\$634.00	
Criminal Mischief:	\$223.00	Graffiti, Damage, Destroy (restitution not included)
Disregard Stop Sign or Red light	\$226.00	
Drivers License: Expired/Required	\$176.00	
Drove Wrong Way On One Way	\$226.00	
Fail to Yield ROW: Emerg Veh	\$296.00	
Fail to Yield-Offenses under this heading	\$226.00	
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility	\$381.00 -- 1 st offense	\$501.00 -- 2 nd offense
Open Container	\$271.00	
Oper Veh W/Exp LP/Exp Reg	\$194.00	
Public Intoxication -Adult	\$271.00	
Passed Authorized Emergency Veh	\$334.00	
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	\$271.00	
Seat Belt Violation	CONTACT COURT	

If you are charged with Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility-charges may be **DISMISSED** if you present proof of:
***VALID Financial Responsibility** (liability insurance) on the vehicle you were driving at the time of the offense.
****Expired Driver's License; Expired Registration:** YOU may be eligible to have the charges **dismissed**, if you present proof of renewal to the court by mail or in person within 10 working days and pay the late registration penalty to county assessor-collector. A compliance dismissal remedy fine up to \$20.00 is required.

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.

You may be able to have your charge dismissed by successfully completing a driving safety course. You will lose that privilege if, on or before your appearance date, you do not provide the court with notice of your request to take the course. **DO NOT TAKE THE DRIVER SAFETY COURSE PRIOR TO COURT APPROVAL.** The course may be used to dismiss only one violation every 12 months. If you are charged with speeding 25 mph or more over the speed limit or at a speed 95 mph or greater or any non-moving violation you are NOT eligible for a Driver Safety Course. If you have a Commercial Driver license, were in a construction zone with workers present or were charged with a serious violation, you are NOT eligible for Driver Safety Course or Deferred Disposition.

____ (Driver Safety Course) As per the Code of Criminal Procedure, Art.45.0511, I hereby plead Guilty or No Contest and request that the Court defer proceedings for 90 days so that I may complete an approved Driver Safety Course and present a certificate of course completion and your certified driving record. You must present this form, along with a Money Order or Cashier's Check for \$144.00 OR \$169.00-school zone, copy of liability insurance & your TX driver license. I certify that I have a valid Texas Driver License, Permit or I am active duty military. I was not charged with speeding 25 mph or more over the posted speed limit or at a speed 95 mph or greater, I have not taken a driver safety course during the past 12 months, I am not in the process of taking a course for the dismissal of a ticket and I have not taken a driver safety course which is not currently reflected on my driving record. **DO NOT TAKE THE DRIVER SAFETY COURSE PRIOR TO COURT APPROVAL.** Under pain or penalty of perjury, I swear that the foregoing is true.

I enter a plea of ____ Guilty ____ No Contest

____ (Pay Fine) I enter a plea of guilty or no contest and wish to pay my citation. You may pay by money order or cashier's check. I hereby enter a plea of ____ Guilty ____ No Contest
If you wish to pay by Credit/Debit Card-there is a \$4.00 fee, please call the office at 512/237-3282 ext 2205.

Make Money Order or Cashier's Check Payable to: SMITHVILLE MUNICIPAL COURT

____ (Trial Request) I wish to enter a plea of Not Guilty. You have right to a trial by Judge or by Jury. Mail this reply form on or before your appearance date on the citation and the court will notify you of your court date. ____ Trial by Judge (waive my right to a Jury Trial) ____ Trial by Jury

SIGNATURE

DL #

CITATION #

ADDRESS

PHONE NUMBER

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this the ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Notary Public, Judge or Court Clerk

