

GONZALES MUNICIPAL COURT REPLY FORM

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You MUST appear ON or BEFORE the date on your citation and APPEARANCE MUST BE in writing, in person or by attorney.

Please return a copy of the citation and this signed form with your remittance for proper credit. YOU SHALL INFORM THE COURT OF ANY ADDRESS CHANGES.

OPTION I

You have the right to request Driving Safety Course. You will lose that right if you do not provide written notice to the Court on or before your appearance date. Only one (1) charge may be dismissed by taking a DRIVER SAFETY COURSE (DSC) OR MOTORCYCLE OPERATOR TRAINING COURSE (MOTC).

By signing the reply form YOU CERTIFY BELOW THAT YOU:

- A) have not taken a DSC or MOTC within the past twelve (12) months preceding the date of offense and are not in the process at this time; and
- B) were not speeding 25 miles per hour or more over the posted speed limit; and
- C) were not cited in a construction zone with workers present; and
- D) do not hold a Commercial Driver’s License (CDL).

I hereby wish to waive my right to a trial by jury, enter a plea of () **Guilty** () **No Contest** and **Request** to take a DSC or MOTC. I understand that this plea enters a guilty judgment and this judgment will be removed and no conviction will appear on my record upon submitting proof of completion of the required DSC or MOTC and a certified copy of my driving record as maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety.

DO NOT TAKE a driving safety course UNTIL THE COURT CONTACTS YOU BY MAIL. Today, you agree to include the following items with this signed form to the court:

- 1) a copy of your valid Texas driver’s license or active military ID;
- 2) a copy of the proof of insurance with your name listed on the insurance card; and
- 3) a **Cashier’s Check or Money Order** in the amount of **\$144.00** or **\$169.00** for School Zone Offenses.

OPTION II

I hereby enter a plea of () **Guilty** () **No Contest** and waive appearance for trial and enclose a **Cashier’s Check or Money Order** for the amount of the fine(s) listed. A plea of Nolo Contendere means that you do not contest the State’s charge(s) against you; the fine is the same as a guilty plea. Please return a **copy of your citation** and **this signed form** with your remittance for proper credit.

OPTION III

I hereby enter a plea of **Not Guilty** and understand that I will be notified of my trial date. I understand that I have the right to be represented at trial by an attorney and a trial by Jury.

- () I hereby request **JURY TRIAL**.
- () I hereby waive my right to a trial by jury and elect a trial before the court.

CITATION # _____

Signature _____ Print Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Date & PHONE(s) _____

Court is held on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 2:00 P.M. at above address.
JUVENILE COURT is held every 4th Wednesday at 4:00 P.M.

Do not ask to speak to the judge before entering a plea in writing.
Ex Parte Communications is NOT allowed.

SPEEDING

\$5.00 per mile over speed limit **PLUS** \$144.00 court costs.

SCHOOL ZONE

\$5 per mile over speed limit **PLUS** \$169.00 court costs.

25 MPH over posted limit.....\$334.00

Proof of corrections must be presented w/in 20 days of citation to qualify for dismissal fee. (when applicable by state law)

VEHICLE REGISTRATION

No valid Texas registration \$181.00

Display expired registration \$181.00

w/proof of correction and penalty paid to County Vehicle Registrar w/in 20 working days... \$20.00

Altered or obscured license plate \$181.00

w/proof of correction by plea date \$20.00

SEAT BELT VIOLATIONS

Allow child 7 yrs & less than 58” in height

w/out safety seat system \$124.10

2nd offense.....\$199.10

Allow child under 17 yrs w/out SB \$199.00

No seat belt (**Adult**) \$149.10

NO LIABILITY INSURANCE

1st offense \$356.00

2nd offense \$500.00

DRIVER’S LICENSE VIOLATIONS

Expired DL \$181.00

w/proof of new DL by court date..... \$20.00

Fail to report change of address \$181.00

w/proof of correction within 20 days \$20.00

No DL \$181.00

valid proof @ original stop.....\$20.00

DL VIOLATIONS cont’d.

Violate DL restriction\$181.00

Fail to display DL \$131.00

valid proof @ original stop ..\$20.00

Owner Permit unlicensed driver to drive

.....\$281.00

Parent Permit Unlicensed Driver to Drive..... \$181.00

Driving while license invalid \$231.00

TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS NOT LISTED

No accident \$199.10

With accident \$299.10

PUBLIC INTOXICATION

1st Offense \$216.00

CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS

Truck Route \$156.00

Allow animal to run at large.. \$281.00

Unreasonable noise \$206.00

FAILURE TO APPEAR \$281.00

VIOLATE PROMISE TO APPEAR \$299.10

***ALL ALCOHOL OR TOBACCO RELATED OFFENSES BY A MINOR CONTACT THE COURT**

JUVENILE WARNING

A child and parent required to appear before the court have an obligation to provide the court in writing with the current address and residence of the child. The obligation does not end when the child reaches age 17. On or before the seventh day after the date the child or parent changes residence, the child or parent shall notify the court of the current address in the manner directed by the court. A violation of this subsection may result in arrest and is a Class C misdemeanor. The obligation to provide notice terminates on discharge and satisfaction of the judgment or final disposition not requiring a finding of guilt.

If an appellate court accepts an appeal for a trial de novo, the child and parent shall provide the notice to the appellate court.