

DRIVING SAFETY COURSE REQUIREMENTS (read carefully)

A request to take a driving safety course in lieu of paying the fine for a moving violation must be made in person, by counsel, or by certified mail before your appearance date on your citation.

At the time of the request you must do the following: **(1)** Plead guilty or nolo contendere **(2)** Present copy of your valid Texas driver's license and copy of your valid proof of financial responsibility (liability insurance) and **(3)** Pay \$109.00 in court fees or \$134.00 if offense occurred in a school zone. NOTE: Although payment of the fine is not required, court fees due the State must be paid before being allowed to take a driving safety course to have a violation dismissed.

The case will be postponed for 90 days to allow you time to complete the course. You must attend a driving safety course that has been approved by the Texas Education Agency or a motorcycle operator's course approved by the Department of Public Safety if the traffic offense occurred while operating a motorcycle.

You are eligible to request this course if you:

- (1) Have not requested **and** taken a driving safety course or motorcycle operator course for a traffic offense within the last 12 months;
- (2) Are not currently taking the course for another traffic violation dismissal,
- (3) Do not hold a Commercial Drivers License;
- (4) Have not committed one of the following offenses:
 - (A) Failure to Give Information at Accident Scene;
 - (B) Leaving scene of accident;
 - (C) Fleeing or attempting to elude police officer;
 - (D) Reckless driving;
 - (E) Passing a school bus;
 - (F) A serious traffic violation;
 - (G) An offense in a construction maintenance zone when workers are present;
 - (H) Speeding 25 mph or more over limit.

On or before 90 days from the appearance date you will be required to present to the Court the following:

- (1) A certified copy of your Driving Record as maintained by DPS;
- (2) A certificate of completion of the Driving Safety Course;

If you do not take the course in the time required and/or fail to present the Court with a certificate of completion and a certified copy of the driving record the court will notify you to return to court and explain why you failed to do these things. If you have a good reason why you were unable to present your proof with the time required, the judge may, but is not required to, grant you an extension. Your failure to be present at that hearing will result in a warrant for your arrest being issued. An additional charge may also be filed.



City of Lacy Lakeview

Municipal Court

P.O. Drawer 154549, Waco, TX 76715

NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO TAKE THE DRIVING SAFETY COURSE IN LIEU OF PAYING THE FINE FOR A MOVING VIOLATION.

(Failure to return this form on or before your appearance date will result in ineligibility)

- I understand I CANNOT take the driving safety course in lieu of paying the fine if :
 - (1) I am accused of speeding 25 mph or more over the posted limit;
 - (2) the violation was in a construction zone with workers present or other serious traffic violation;
 - (3) if I hold a Commercial Driver's License.
- I understand I may only take the driving safety course to dismiss one offense within a 12-month period.
- I hereby enter my plea of ____ Guilty or ____ Nolo Contendere and notify the Court of my intent to request the driving safety course in lieu of paying a fine.
- I have enclosed a photo copy of my Texas driver's license and a photo copy of my proof of liability insurance (financial responsibility) and a money order (**NO PERSONAL CHECKS**) for court fees in the amount of \$109.00 (If in school zone \$134.00)
- I understand I must submit a certified copy of my driving record that is maintained by DPS. Enclose a self-addressed envelope and the court will mail you the form to request your driving record or obtain one online at www.txdps.state.tx.us
- I understand that on or before 90 days from my appearance date I must present to the Court (1) a certified copy of my driving record, and (2) the certificate of completion of the Driving Safety Course.**

AFFIDAVIT

I, _____, state under oath that I am not in the process of taking a driving safety course under Section 45.0511(c)(3) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, nor have I completed a course under that section that is not yet reflected on my driving record as maintained by the Department of Public Safety.

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

Signature

Notary Public

Print name as it appears on your drivers license	Driver's license number
Current Mailing Address	Daytime Phone Number
Citation #	Date of Citation
	Appearance Date