

**Plea Form: Plea Must Be Made In Writing or In Person
On or Before Your Appearance Date!**
A Telephone Call DOES NOT Constitute An
Appearance In or For Court

Name _____ Citation #: _____
(as appears on license)
Mailing address _____
Street City State Zip
Home Phone # _____
Work Phone # _____
Cell Phone# _____ DOB _____
Driver License #: _____
Offense _____
Date of Citation _____

CHECK ONE BOX:

- I waive my appearance for trial and enter a plea of **Guilty**.
- I waive my appearance for trial and enter a plea of **Nolo Contendere**.
- I enter a plea of **NOT Guilty** and request a court trial.

By entering a plea of Guilty or Nolo Contendere, I am declining to request any discovery in my case.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

SIGNATURE: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature If Minor Is Under 18 Years of Age _____

**REQUEST FOR DRIVING SAFETY COURSE AS
A CONDITION OF DEFERRED DISPOSITION**

I hereby request to take a Driving Safety Course (Article 45.0511 C.C.R).
Enclosed is my notarized request, proof of financial responsibility (liability insurance), photo copy of driver's license or current military ID.
And CASHIER'S CHECK or MONEY ORDER in the amount of \$109.10 payable to City of Jarrell Municipal Court – SCHOOL ZONE \$134.10

- I hereby enter a plea of **GUILTY** or **NO CONTEST** to the above charge and request the Court to dismiss the charge under the terms of Article 45.0511 C.C.R.
- I certify that I have a valid Texas driver's license, permit or current military I.D.; that the alleged speed was not 25 mph or more above the posted limit; that I have not taken a course within the past 12 months preceding the date of the offense and am not in the process of taking such a course; and that I have not completed a course which is not reflected on my driving record.
- I understand that I will be charged court costs and a fee and that these fees are non-refundable and must be paid to the court before my charge will be dismissed.
- I understand that I am not eligible for the Driving Safety Course unless I provide proof of financial responsibility, (liability insurance), as required by The Transportation Code.
- I understand that I must complete and submit to the court the Defensive

Driving Documentation **within 90 days** from the date of Judgment.
Under pain or penalty of perjury

SIGNATURE OF DEFENDANT

SWORN to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

Must be signed by **NOTARY PUBLIC** or other person authorized to

ADMINISTER OATHS _____

Plea Information:

Nolo Contendere or No Contest – A plea of no contest means that you do not contest the State's charge against you. You will almost certainly be found guilty unless you are eligible and successfully complete a driving safety course and/or court ordered deferral. A plea of no contest cannot be used against you in a subsequent civil suit for damages.

Plea of Guilty – A plea of guilty means that you admit to the act which is prohibited by law and that you have no defense or excuse. A plea of guilty may be used against you later in a civil suit if there was a traffic accident (another party can say you were at fault or responsible for the accident because you pled guilty to the traffic charge.

Plea of Not Guilty - A plea of not guilty means that you deny guilt and that the State must prove the charge that is filed against you. If you plead not guilty, you need to decide if you will hire an attorney to represent you or if you will represent yourself.

By entering a plea of Guilty or Nolo Contendere, you are declining to request any discovery in your case.

Please note:

No one connected with this citation, nor the officer issuing the citation, receives any portion of fines that are paid. All fines are deposited in the City of Jarrell General Fund Account.

****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. ****



Jarrell Municipal Court

161 Town Center Blvd.

Jarrell, TX 76537

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www.cityofjarrell.com

municourt@cityofjarrell.com

The City of Jarrell Municipal Court is located at 161 Town Center Blvd., Jarrell, TX, located under the big water tower along IH35. Office hours are Mon. through Fri. 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m., excluding holidays and closed for lunch 12:00-1:00 p.m. Please allow 7 business days for your citation to be filed. You must contact the court by the appearance date listed on your citation. Failure to do so may result in a warrant for your arrest.

When Appearing for Court:

All Persons are Subject to a Search

Weapons are Prohibited by Law

Appropriate Dress Required

No Audible Devices

No Food or Drinks are Allowed

If you are assessed fines and court costs as a result of this citation and you are unable to pay, bring this to the attention of the judge. For more information, contact the court or an attorney.

MUNICIPAL COURT NOTICE - A telephone call DOES NOT constitute a court appearance.

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This form is furnished as a courtesy to you by the City of Jarrell, Texas, Municipal Court, to assist you in processing the charge(s) against you.

- PLEASE NOTE: The Judge cannot discuss the merits of a pending judicial proceeding prior to trial (*Canon 6(c)(2) Code of Judicial Conduct*). This means the Judge cannot discuss your citation/ticket with you before the trial.
- If you FAIL TO RESPOND to the charge(s) BY THE APPEARANCE DATE SHOWN ON THE CITATION, an additional charge may be filed against you for Violate Promise to Appear/Failure to Appear and warrants may be issued for your arrest. (*WARRANT FEES OF \$50.00 will be issued on each charge for EXECUTING OR PROCESSING A WARRANT*)
- A MINOR under the age of 18 who fails to appear by the time and date on the citation may have their license suspended as required by law (Transportation Code – Sec. 521.294 (6)). (NOTE: A parent or guardian must appear along with the minor)
- If you wish to ENTER A PLEA OF GUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDERE (“No Contest”), please indicate in the proper space provided. A plea of Nolo Contendere means that you do not contest the state’s charge(s) against you. The fine and conviction for a Nolo Contendere plea is the same as that for a plea of Guilty. Either plea indicates that you agree to waive appearance before the Court for trial.

By entering a plea of Guilty or Nolo Contendere, you are declining to request any discovery in your case.

Refer to the schedules shown to determine the total amount of fine(s) and costs acceptable by the Court. (*These fines apply only to cases handled prior to court trial or Judgment being entered.*) RETURN YOUR COPY OF THE CITATION AND THIS LETTER WITH YOUR REMITTANCE TO ASSURE PROPER CREDIT.

- If you wish to enter a plea of NOT GUILTY and desire a trial, advise the court by checking #3 or #4 on the Reply Form on or before the appearance date. You will be notified by the court when to appear for trial and specific requirements of the particular court concerning bail requirements, etc

MINORS younger than 18 years of age must contact court with parent or guardian before their appearance date.

**NO CHECKS ACCEPTED •
DO NOT MAIL CASH • REMIT BY
CASHIER’S CHECK OR MONEY ORDER**

**PAYABLE TO: City of Jarrell
Municipal Court**

**There is a night drop box located
next to the building.**

6. DRIVING SAFETY COURSE AS A CONDITION OF DEFERRED DISPOSITION

**CDL operators are not eligible for Deferred
Disposition or a Driving Safety Course.**

- A) **Under the laws of the State of Texas, you may be able to require that this (one) charge be dismissed by successfully completing a driving safety course or a motorcycle operator training course. HOWEVER, you may lose that right if you do not provide written notice and a plea of guilty or Nolo Contendere to the Court on or before the appearance date of your desire to do so (as shown on your citation), Art. 45.0511(r)**

B) **A CHARGE MAY BE DISMISSED BY COMPLETING A DRIVING SAFETY COURSE IF:**

- operators that possess a CDL license are not eligible for a Deferred Disposition / Driving Safety Course;
- the alleged speed is not 25 mph or more above the posted speed limit;
- the offense was not committed in a commercial vehicle;
- you have not used this option during the 12 months preceding the offense date and you are not in the process of using this option for another offense;
- you have a valid Texas Driver’s License, permit, or current military I.D.;
- you provide the court with proof of financial responsibility (liability insurance) that complies with state law
- you will have to provide the court with a certified copy of your driving record from DPS by your 90 day due date;
- the offense was not committed in a construction or maintenance zone when workers are present;
- pay the court cost of \$109.10 at the time of request
IN A SCHOOL ZONE \$134.10

Fines Applicable To Automobiles & Light Trucks

Speeding – Applies To all Mph Zones	
1 - 10 Mph Over	\$ 224.10
11 – 15.....	\$ 249.10
16 – 20.....	\$ 274.10
21 & Over.....	\$ 349.10
Speeding In School or Construction Zone(1-10)	\$245.00
Speeding in School or Construction Zone(11-20)	\$464.10
Fail To Change Address(Not Dismissed Upon Correction)	
.....	\$ 161.00
Expired Vehicle Registration.....	\$ 176.00 (*)
Expired Driver’s License.....	\$ 176.00 (*)
Drove Wrong way on One-Way Roadway....	\$ 275.00
Defective Equipment, E.G. Headlight, Etc....	\$ 214.00
No Valid Inspection Sticker.....	\$ 134.00 (*)
Disregard Official Traffic Control Device.....	\$ 299.10
Fail To Signal Lane Change.....	\$ 250.00
Fail To Yield Right Of Way.....	\$ 250.00
Disregard Stop Sign or Red Signal Light.....	\$ 249.10
No Driver’s License/Fail To Display.....	\$ 266.00
No Parking by City Ordinance 2007-007.....	\$ 95.00
No Driver’s License/Fail To Display.....	\$ 266.00
Pass In No Passing Zone	\$ 347.00
Fail To Maintain Financial Responsibility /No Liability Insurance.....	\$264.00(**)
<u>Fines Applicable To Commercial Vehicles</u> <u>Fines May Not Apply To Vehicles Out of Service</u> <u>- Contact The Municipal Court</u>	
Speeding (CDL Operator) 1-14 Mph Over	\$ 217.00
2. Over Width/Over Length.....	\$ 165.00
Improper Load/Loose Materials or No Tarp.....	\$ 164.00
No Commercial Drivers License.....	\$ 327.00
No Record of Duty Status.....	\$ 326.00
Speeding (CDL Operator) 15 Mph Over Limit	\$ 389.10
(*) Charges may be dismissed if defendant remedies this defect, including payment of all late registration fees, within 10 working days. A fee of \$10.00 or \$20.00 must accompany proof. Applies to expired inspection if certificate had not been expired for more than 60 days.	
NOTE: False statement to a registration clerk is a felony offense. (**) Charges shall be dismissed upon verification of evidence that insurance was in effect on the vehicle driven on the date of the arrest	
<u>Time Payment fee (Local Government Code Sec. 133.103)</u>	
Municipal court shall collect a fee of \$25.00 from a person who has been convicted, pays any part of a fine, court costs or restitution on or after the 31 st day after the date Judgment is entered.	