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Expired / No driver's license / Driving while DL invalid	\$220.00
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**Correct Information?** Contact the Court is if your address, phone number, or other information on the ticket is incorrect.

**Payment before Court Date:** Pay by check, money order or credit card (by cash in person). Include your DL or ID number and your signed copy of the ticket. Payable to the "City of Stagecoach." If your check is returned for non-sufficient funds, you expressly authorize your account to be electronically debited or bank drafted for the amount of the check plus any fees.

**PAYMENT ONLINE:** Pay online at [www.GovPayNow.com](http://www.GovPayNow.com) or by calling 1-888-604-7888. The Pay Location Code is 4145. A processing fee of will be added and you will need your ticket number.

**If you are convicted of an offense and are unable to pay the fine and court costs, you may have the Court assess your ability to pay and the Court may provide alternatives to full payment in satisfying the judgment.**

If you would like to file a complaint or compliment regarding a traffic stop, a form is available online at [www.stagecoachtx.us/forms](http://www.stagecoachtx.us/forms)

**DRIVING SAFETY COURSE REQUEST**

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Citation #: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Texas Driver's License: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby waive my right to a jury trial, plead no contest to the charge of \_\_\_\_\_ and elect to take a driving safety course. I understand that I must:

1. Present to the Court a valid **Texas** driver's license or permit unless I am active duty military or a military dependant. **A copy of my driver's license is enclosed;**
2. Present to the Court proof of current financial responsibility (automobile liability insurance). **A copy of my proof of insurance, reflecting my name on the policy, is enclosed;**
3. Pay court costs of **\$144.00**. Court costs are not refundable and must be paid in full.

**AFTER MY APPLICATION IS APPROVED, I MUST:**

4. Return to the Court a certified copy of my driving record from the Department of Public Safety showing that I have not completed an approved program within the 12 preceding months.
5. Return to the Court a certificate of driving safety course completion from a Texas Education Agency approved course.

Items 4 and 5 must be done **within 90 days from the date the Court approves this application.**

**AFFIDAVIT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, state under oath that I am not in the process of taking a driving safety course, nor have I completed a course that is not yet reflected on my driver's record as maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant's Signature

**Sworn and Subscribed** before me, the undersigned authority on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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Court Clerk or Notary Public

If any of these apply, you are **NOT ELIGIBLE TO TAKE THE COURSE:**

1. Cited for driving 25 MPH or more over the posted speed limit
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