

Please read before calling court.

**NO PERSONAL CHECKS ACCEPTED
REPLY FORM**

(Mail to the Municipal court indicated on the reverse side of this letter. Enclose your copy of the Citation, self-addressed envelope with your reply) If requesting a receipt, send self addressed, stamped envelope.

NAME (Print of type as it appears on your Driver's License)

Driver's License Number

Current Mailing Address

City, State & zip

Telephone Number

Citation No.

Date of Citation

Date Cited to appear on or before

CHECK ONE:

- ☐ 1. I hereby enter a plea of Guilty and waive appearance for trial, CASHIER'S CHECK OR MONEY ORDER in the amount of the fine(s) enclosed. (Make your remittance payable to the Court indicated on the reverse side of this letter.)
- ☐ 2. I hereby enter a plea of NOLO CONTENDERE/NO CONTEST and waive appearance for trial, CASHIER'S CHECK OR MONEY ORDER in the amount of the fine(s) enclosed. (Make your remittance payable to the Court indicated on the reverse side of this letter.)
- ☐ 3. I hereby enter a plea of NOT GUILTY and request the Court advise me of my trial date by mail, (☐ Non Jury ☐ Jury).
- ☐ 4. **DEFERRED DISPOSITION (90 day probation \$275.00)
NOT AVAILABLE FOR CDL HOLDERS OR IN SCHOOL ZONES**

IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND IN WRITING TO THIS TICKET BY THE APPEARANCE DATE SHOWN ON THE TICKET, AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE MAY BE ASSESSED AGAINST YOU FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR, AND WARRANTS MAY BE ISSUED FOR YOUR ARREST.

FINES MAY BE PAID BY CREDIT CARD (American Express, Discover, Mastercard or Visa) VIA PHONE BY CALLING 1-866-539-2020 OR VIA THE INTERNET BY ACCESSING <http://certifiedpayments.net/>. WORTHAM CODE: 7051856
NOTE: JUVENILES 16 & UNDER MUST CONTACT THE COURT WITH PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

REQUEST FORM FOR DRIVING SAFETY COURSE

YOU MUST BE APPROVED BY THE COURT BEFORE TAKING THE COURSE
HOLDERS OF COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR D.S.C. OR DEFERRAL

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- ☐ I hereby plead ☐ NOLO CONTENDERE ☐ GUILTY.
- ☐ I possess a valid Texas driver's license or permit other than a Commercial Driver License.
- ☐ I have NOT taken a driving safety course in the past 12 months.
- ☐ I am NOT in the process of taking a driving safety course to dismiss another offense.
- ☐ I HAVE NOT completed a driving safety course that is not yet reflected on my driving record.
- ☐ I understand I CANNOT take the driving safety course in lieu of paying the fine if I am accused of speeding 25 miles an hour or more over the posted speed limit or a violation in a work zone with workers present.
- ☐ I ENCLOSE proof of Financial Responsibility (Insurance) & Driver's License that was in effect on the citation date. (A photocopy is acceptable- NO ORIGINALS PLEASE!)
- ☐ I ENCLOSE a money order or cashier's check made payable to Wortham Municipal Court indicated on the reverse side in the amount of \$144.00
- ☐ I understand that I am responsible for completing a D.P.S. approved Driving Safety Course and remitting the proper completion certificate to the expiration of the 90 days.
- ☐ I understand that if the Court approves this request it will provide me with an application for copy of driver record. Upon receipt of said record I will submit it to the Court. (Except active duty U.S. Military with out-of-state drivers license.)
- ☐ I understand that this request must be postmarked on or before the reply date on my citation.

SIGNATURE

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**MUNICIPAL COURT
CITY OF WORTHAM**

P. O. Box 186

Wortham, Texas 76693

254-765-3042

courtclerk@worthamtx.com

1. This letter is furnished as a courtesy to you by the Wortham Municipal Court to assist you in making disposition of the charge(s) filed against you. PLEASE READ THIS LETTER THOROUGHLY BEFORE CONTACTING THE COURT: The Judge cannot discuss the merits of a pending judicial proceeding prior to that (Canon 3(5), Code of Judicial Conduct.)

IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE CHARGE(S) BY THE APPEARANCE DATE SHOWN ON THE CITATION, AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE WILL BE FILED AGAINST YOU FOR VIOLATE PROMISE TO APPEAR AND WARRANTS WILL BE ISSUED FOR YOUR ARREST. ADDITIONALLY A FAILURE TO APPEAR OR SATISFY A JUDGEMENT ORDERING THE PAYMENT OF A FINE AND COST IN THE MANNER ORDERED BY THE COURT MAY RESULT IN THE DENIAL OF A RENEWAL OF YOUR DRIVERS LICENSE. A JUVENILE WHO FAILS TO APPEAR BY THE TIME AND DATE ON THE CITATION MAY HAVE THEIR LICENSE SUSPENDED. WARRANT FEES OF \$50.00 WILL BE ASSESSED FOR EXECUTING OR PROCESSING A WARRANT.

2. IF YOU WISH TO ENTER A PLEA OF GUILTY OF NOLU CONTENDERE, please so indicate in the proper space provided on the reply form on the reverse side. A plea of Nolo Contendere means the you do not contest the state's charge(s) against you. The fine 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 Court for trial. Please refer to the fine schedule shown below to determine the total amount of fine(s) and cost acceptable by the court. Make your remittance by Cashier's Check or Money Order payable to the Justice Court indicated on the top of this letter. Return your copy of the Citation and their letter with your remittance to assure proper credit.

3. Under the laws of the State of Texas, you may request that one charge against you be dismissed by taking a driving safety course. HOWEVER, YOU WILL LOSE THIS OPTION IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST IT IN WRITING BY YOUR APPEARANCE DATE AS SHOWN ON YOUR CITATION. THE COURT DOES NOT ACCEPT A TELEPHONE CALL AS AN APPEARANCE BEFORE COURT. This option is available if you hold a valid Texas Drivers License or permit (except a commercial drivers license) and show proof of financial responsibility. If you wish to use this option to have this citation dismissed, complete the request form on the reverse side and return it to Court with the required fee and proof of insurance on or before your appearance date. You have 90 days from date of request to provide the Court with required documentation showing successful completion of an approved Driving Safety Course. If you are charged with speeding 25MPH or more above the posted limit, have used this option within the last year period to dismiss a charge, or are charged for a violation occurring in a work zone with workers present you are not eligible.

4. IF YOU WISH TO ENTER A PLEA OF NOT GUILTY and desire a trial, please so indicate on the reply form on the reverse side and mail your plea on or before your appearance date. You will be notified by the court when you MUST appear for trial and any other required procedures.

5. JUVENILES 16 & UNDER MUST CONTACT THE COURT WITH A PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

SCHEDULE OF ACCEPTABLE FINES:

NOTE: COURT COSTS ARE MANDATED BY THE STATE OF TEXAS AND ARE INCLUDED IN THESE FINES.

SPEEDING (MPH over the legal limit)(for school zone Add \$50 to fine amount	
2 through 10	\$190.00
11 through 16	\$200.00
17 through 22	\$210.00
23 through 28	\$230.00
29 through 34	\$240.00
35 through 40	\$250.00
41 and over.....	CONTACT THE JUDGE

VIOLATIONS

OPEN CONTAINER.....	\$290.00
VIOLATE PROMISE TO APPEAR.....	\$210.00
RUN STOP SIGN OR SIGNAL LIGHT	\$180.00
FAILURE TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY	\$190.00
FAILURE TO CONTROL SPEED TO AVOID COLLISION OR UNSAFE SPEED	\$190.00
PASSING VIOLATION.....	\$180.00
ILLEGAL, UNSAFE OR IMPROPER TURN	\$180.00
FAILURE TO SIGNAL INTENTIONS	\$170.00
*NO DRIVER'S LICENSE	\$190.00
**EXPIRED DRIVER'S LICENSE	\$170.00
PERMIT UNLICENSED PERSON OR MINOR TO DRIVE	\$180.00
**REGISTRATION VIOLATIONS.....	\$180.00
FICTITIOUS VIOLATIONS.....	\$200.00
**NO VALID INSPECTION CERTIFICATE	\$180.00
WRONG SIDE OF ROAD, NOT PASSING	\$180.00
*NO PROOF OF LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$390.00
SEATBELT VIOLATION.....	\$170.00
SEATBELT VIOLATION-CHILDREN UNDER 17 YEARS OLD	\$240.00
FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY	\$190.00
FAILURE TO DRIVE IN SINGLE LANE	\$180.00
USE OF EQUIPMENT NOT APPROVED	\$180.00
ILLEGAL PARKING	\$180.00
FAILURE TO STOP FOR SCHOOL BUS.....	CONTACT THE JUDGE
FOR ANY VIOLATION NOT LISTED	CONTACT THE JUDGE

ON OR BEFORE APPEARANCE DATE:

* Mail in proof of insurance or driver license, if valid at time of citation and that offense may be dismissed.

**Renew an expired vehicle registration, inspection sticker (not expired for more than 60 days) or driver license within 10 days from the date of your ticket and you may have your ticket dismissed within a \$20 fee.