

# PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS

**JUDGES of the JUSTICE COURTS of Gillespie County, Texas**  
**125 West Main Street**  
**Fredericksburg, TX 78624**

**J. D. Hickman, JP Pct. One**  
**(830) 307-3737 press #1**

**Catherine L. Kuhlmann, JP Pct. Two**  
**(830) 307-3737 press #2**

**Linda McCann, JP Pct. Three**  
**(830) 307-3737 press #3**

**Carl E. Schoessow, JP Pct. Four**  
**(830) 307-3737 press #4**

## **RESPONDING TO A TRAFFIC TICKET – ALSO SEE REVERSE SIDE**

Telephone calls **DO NOT** constitute an appearance. Call one of the numbers above **ONLY** if you have a question after reading these instructions.

**You must mail or bring this plea form to the court ON OR BEFORE THE APPEARANCE DATE.**

### **Failure to appear on Court Date:**

**IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THIS CHARGE**

BY THE APPEARANCE DATE, shown on your ticket, the court may charge you with an additional offense for “Violation of Promise to Appear”, issue a warrant for your arrest, and suspend renewal of your driver’s license.

### **Qualifications for Driver’s Safety Course:**

1. Valid Texas Driver’s License only (no CDL)
2. Current Liability Insurance in YOUR name.
3. Speed not more than 95 MPH
4. Speed not 25 MPH or more over limit
5. Not completed a course in previous 12 months
6. Not in construction zone with workers present
7. Not passing a school bus

*Juveniles 16 years of age and under will be contacted by the court to appear with their parent/guardian.*

**\*\*\*\*\*A conviction of an offense under a traffic law of this state may result in the assessment on your driver’s license of a SURCHARGE.\*\*\*\*\***

## **Schedule of Acceptable Fines**

<b>Speeding:</b>	<i>Additional costs for construction or school zone.</i>	
1 – 10 mph over speed limit	\$165.00	21 – 24 mph over speed limit \$250.00
11 – 15 mph over speed limit	\$180.00	25 – 27 mph over speed limit \$270.00
16 - 20 mph over speed limit	\$205.00	28 mph or more over the limit \$300.00
Violate Promise to Appear or Failure to Appear		\$250.00
Fail to Stop for School Bus		\$625.10
Expired Registration, Expired License, Fail to Change Address		\$145.00
<i>(Charges <b>may</b> be dismissed with fee and proof, if remedied within 20 working days.)</i>		
Illegal, Unsafe or Improper Turn, Fail to Yield Right of Way/Stop		\$165.00
Not Secured by Safety Belt (Adult Driver or Adult Passenger)		\$145.00
Child Not Secured in Child Safety Seat System/Seat Belt		\$123.00
Driving While License Invalid, No Driver’s License**		\$250.00
Pass in No Passing Zone, When Unsafe, Drive in Left Lane when not Passing		\$165.00
Fail to Control Speed or Unsafe Speed		\$165.00
No Liability Insurance or Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (1 <sup>st</sup> Offense) **		\$300.00
<i>** Charges <b>may</b> be dismissed upon presentation to the court of a valid driver’s license or proof of liability insurance at the time of offense. ALL INSURANCE WILL BE VERIFIED.</i>		
Public Intoxication, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia		\$200.00
Open Container (alcoholic beverage) in motor vehicle		\$160.00

*For any charges or fines not listed above, contact the appropriate court.*

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**REPLY FORM**

Name as it appears on Driver's License: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License State: \_\_\_\_\_

**Plea (Check One):**

**Pay in full.** I hereby enter a plea of \_\_\_\_\_ No Contest or \_\_\_\_\_ Guilty, waive appearance and judge/jury trial, and enclose my money order or cashier's check **payable to Gillespie County, JP # \_\_\_\_\_**, or receipt or confirmation # of credit/debit payment.

I hereby enter a plea of \_\_\_\_\_ No Contest or \_\_\_\_\_ Guilty, waive appearance and judge/jury trial, and **promise to pay in 30 days.**

I hereby enter a plea of No Contest, waive appearance and judge/jury trial and **request a payment plan.** (A \$25.00 fee will be added for each case.)

I hereby enter a plea of No Contest, waive appearance and judge/jury trial and **request community service.** (*requires Court approval*)

I hereby enter a plea of No Contest, waive appearance and judge/jury trial and **request an Affidavit of Indigence.** (*requires Court approval*)

I hereby enter a plea of NOT GUILTY and request a trial by (circle one) *Judge* or *Jury*.

I hereby enter a plea of No Contest, request to take a **Driving Safety Course**, and enclose the following with this form:

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1. My current proof of insurance **AND**
  2. My money order, cashier's check or debit/credit card receipt for \$110.00 court costs (\$135.00 for school zone violations), **payable to Gillespie County, JP # \_\_\_\_\_.**

**IMPORTANT:** Send this form to the Court BY THE APPEARANCE DATE shown on your citation. Upon receipt of your request, insurance and court costs, the Court will send a letter confirming and give you 90 days to complete the course and return all the required documents to the Court.

*Holders of a commercial driver's license are not eligible for Driver's Safety Course.*

If all requirements are not completed timely, the case will be reported as a conviction to the Texas Department of Public Safety and the balance of the fine will be due.

(X) \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD:** (*requires a fee*) Phone: 1-800-487-4567; press 1 for English; press 4 for customer service OR

Internet: [www.officialpayments.com](http://www.officialpayments.com)

1. Select: "All Other Payments" or "Local Payments"
2. Jurisdiction Code: (Pct. 1) 6593; (Pct. 2) 6594; (Pct. 3) 7423; (Pct. 4) 7422
3. Enter TX DL# under Citation No. or use case #, if known