

## NOTICE

The Court will issue a WARRANT for the arrest of any defendant who has failed to appear to answer summons duly served upon him/her and upon which a complaint has been filed. Failure to appear or to pay the fine within 11 days of issuance of this summons may result in 1) an additional charge of Violation of Promise to Appear. 2) issuance of a warrant for your arrest, and 3) warrant fee(s). Additionally, failure to appear for the prosecution of the offense charged, or failure to pay or satisfy a judgment ordering the payment of a fine and cost in the manner ordered by the court may result in denial of driver's license renewal.

The judgement and sentence for the offense you are charged is the payment of a fine and cost. If ordered to pay a fine and cost, and you cannot pay, notify the court immediately. If you are determined by the court to have insufficient resources or income to pay, the court is required to provide you other ways to discharge the fine and costs.

Appearance must be made in person. A TELEPHONE CALL DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN APPEARANCE before the Municipal Court, and only under specific circumstances, as prescribed by law, does written correspondence substitute for a personal appearance before the Court.

As per CCP Art. 45.023 (d) following a plea of guilty or nolo contendere entered by a defendant who is detained in jail, a motion for new trial must be made no later than 10 days after rendition of judgement and sentence, and not afterward.

Persons cited for an ordinance violation that requires corrective action for compliance will be set for a hearing in front of the Municipal Court judge and a notice of the court date will be mailed.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY VIOLATION-read carefully "A second or subsequent conviction for FMFR will result in the suspension of your driver's license and motor vehicle registration unless you file and maintain proof of financial responsibility with the Department of Public Safety for two years from date of conviction. The Department may waive the requirement to file proof of financial responsibility if you file satisfactory evidence with the Department **showing that** at the time this citation is issued, the vehicle was covered by a liability insurance policy or that you were otherwise exempt from the requirements to provide evidence of financial responsibility."

Defensive Driving- You may be able to require that this charge be dismissed by successfully completing a driving safety course or a motorcycle operator training course. You will lose the right of, on or before your appearance date, you do not provide the with notice of your request to take the course.

We urge you to contact the Court if you are unable to pay the amount owed without undue hardship to yourself or your dependents. You may request any non-monetary compliance options available to you. You should be prepared to explain and document your financial situation to the Court.

### APPEARANCE, WAIVER, AND PLEA

You may plea GUILTY or NO CONTEST and pay an established window fine at the court, you may mail the fine with your copy of the citation to the court, or you may pay your fine online at [www.TRAFFICPAYMENT.COM](http://www.TRAFFICPAYMENT.COM) OR 1-800-444-1187. **YOU WILL NEED CITATION NUMBER**

When paying by mail payment must be postmarked on or before the appearance date, **INDICATE BY CIRCLING THE PLEA, AND RETURN YOUR COPY OF THE CITATION WITH YOUR PAYMENT.** For additional information, call the court. You must appear in person before the Court to request a court setting before the Judge.

Violation 1- I hereby enter a plea of **GUILTY/NO CONTEST** to the OFFENSE (1) charged and I waive my right to a hearing by the court or jury and further agree to pay the penalty prescribed for my offense.

Violation 2- I hereby enter a plea of **GUILTY/NO CONTEST** to the OFFENSE (2) charged and I waive my right to a hearing by the court or jury and further agree to pay the penalty prescribed for my offense.

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Defendant's Signature

Date

Fairfield Municipal Court  
832 East Commerce  
Fairfield, Texas 75840  
903-389-2983  
Monday-Friday 8:00 A.M – 5:00 P.M.

**Note: It is the Defendant's responsibility to inform the Court of any changes in address or telephone number.**