# PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS

### JUDGES of the JUSTICE COURTS of Gillespie County, Texas 125 West Main Street, JP Pct. \_\_\_\_\_ Fredericksburg, TX 78624

(when mailing to the Court, please add the Precinct #)

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

## <u>RESPONDING TO A TRAFFIC TICKET – ALSO SEE REVERSE SIDE</u>

You must <u>mail or bring</u> this reply form to the Court **ON OR BEFORE THE APPEARANCE DATE.** If you have questions AFTER READING these instructions, call one of the numbers listed above. A TELEPHONE CALL **DOES NOT** CONSTITUTE AN APPEARANCE.

## 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 94 MPH
- 4. Speed not more than 24 MPH over posted 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 under 17 years of age MUST appear in Court with their parent/guardian. The Court will notify you of a court date to appear.

Schedule of Acceptable Fines		
Speeding: Additional costs for construction or school zon		
1 – 10 mph over speed limit \$195.00	21 – 24 mph over speed limit \$280.00	
11 – 15 mph over speed limit \$210.00	25 – 27 mph over speed limit \$300.00	
16 - 20 mph over speed limit \$235.00	28 mph or more over the limit \$330.00	
Violate Promise to Appear or Failure to Appear	\$280.00	
Fail to Stop for School Bus	\$645.00	
Expired Registration, Expired License, Fail to Change Address	\$155.00	
(Charges <u>may</u> be dismissed with fee and proof, if remedied within 20 wo	orking days.)	
Illegal, Unsafe or Improper Turn, Fail to Yield Right of Way/Stop	\$195.00	
Not Secured by Safety Belt (Adult Driver or Adult Passenger)	\$175.00	
Child Not Secured in Child Safety Seat System/Seat Belt	\$175.00	
Park or Stand in a Prohibited Area	\$150.00	
Driving While License Invalid, No Driver's License**	\$280.00	
Pass in No Passing Zone, When Unsafe, Drive in Left Lane when not Pa	assing \$195.00	
Fail to Control Speed or Unsafe Speed	\$195.00	
No Liability Insurance or Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (1st	Offense) ** \$300.00	
** Charges <b>may</b> be dismissed upon presentation to the court of a valid driver insurance at the time of offense. ALL INSURANCE WILL BE VERIFIED.	's license or proof of liability	
Public Intoxication, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	\$210.00	
Open Container (alcoholic beverage) in motor vehicle	\$170.00	
For any charges or fines not listed above, conto	act the appropriate court.	

## **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) AND Sign Below:

□ **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 Inability to Afford Costs. (*requires Court approval*)

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

- **1.** My current proof of insurance **<u>AND</u>**
- 2. My money order, cashier's check or debit/credit card receipt for \$130.00 court costs (\$155.00 for school zone violations), payable to Gillespie County, JP #\_\_\_\_.

**IMPORTANT:** Send this form to the Court <u>BY THE APPEARANCE DATE</u> 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.\_\_\_

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

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

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

Signature

Date

**PAYMENT BY DEBIT/CREDIT CARD:** (*requires a fee*) Phone: 1-800-487-4567; press 1 for English; press 4 for customer service; use proper jurisdiction code (below) and citation # **OR** Internet: 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. Under Citation No., enter citation # on ticket; or use case #, if known; or use your TX DL #