

Driving Safety Course Request

Name _____

Instructions: With few exceptions, you have the right to complete a driving safety course, if you are charged with violating the traffic laws. You do **not** have the right to complete the course if you hold a commercial drivers license, if you held a commercial drivers license when the offense was committed, if you are charged with passing a school bus, failing to stop and give information or render aid following an accident, or a traffic offense committed on a construction and maintenance work zone while workers were present, or if you were speeding 25 miles per hour or more over the posted speed limit. You must have a valid **Texas** driver's license or permit, or you must be a member of the United States military forces on active duty. You must have proof of liability insurance. You may not take the course if you are currently signed up to take the course at the time of this request, or if you have completed such a course within the 12 months preceding the date of the offense.

In order to take an approved Driving Safety Course, you must elect and request to do so. You may complete this form and return it to the Court with a copy of your proof of liability insurance and payment of costs. This request must be received by the Court prior to the appearance date on your ticket. If you intend to use the mail, your request must be postmarked on or before the answer date on your ticket.

Costs: The DSC fee is \$123.00 – PLEASE ENCLOSE A SELF ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE FOR RETURN OF RECEIPT AND DUE DATE.

Juveniles: A defendant who is younger than 17 years of age must appear in court with a parent or guardian, or managing conservator, to enter a plea and request to take a Defensive Driving Course.

IN THE JUSTICE COURT PRECINCT _____

Case No. _____ Ticket No. _____

The State of Texas VS. _____

Offense: _____ Date of Birth: _____

I plead **no contest** to an offense involving operation of a motor vehicle, and **I waive a trial by jury**. I request to take a driving safety course.

- I possess a valid **TEXAS** driver's license or permit (Commercial Drivers License holders do not qualify)
- I **DO NOT** hold a commercial driver's license
- I **have not** taken a driving safety course in lieu of paying a fine during the past 12 months nor am I in the process of taking a driving safety course that is not yet reflected on my driving record.
- I am **not** charged with speeding 25 or more miles over the posted speed limit
- I have **enclosed** proof of Financial Responsibility or a copy of my valid Liability Insurance card.
- I have **enclosed** a money order or cashier's check made payable to the Justice in the amount of **\$123.00**. **IF YOU FAIL TO REQUEST DEFENSIVE DRIVING PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE APPEARANCE DATE, ADDITIONAL FEES WILL BE APPLIED.**
- I am a member of the United States military forces on active duty. If applicable: Division of Armed Services: _____

Defendant Information:

Driver's License No.: _____ State: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Employer: _____ Work Phone: _____

Work Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Nearest Relative _____ Phone: _____

Defendant's Signature

Date

Notary Signature