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## **PAYMENT PLAN POLICY**

Effective July 1, 2021

- Fines and Cost are due the day of court. If a defendant cannot pay all fines and costs on the day
  of court, he/she will have 90 days from the date of conviction to pay all fines and costs in full. If
  he/she has not paid in full or has not entered into a deferred payment plan within that 90 days
  from the date of conviction, the financial account will accrue interest and/or a collection fee.
- A payment plan that extends beyond 90 days from the date of conviction will incur an additional one-time fee of \$10.00 that will be added to the account. **No down payment is required for the first payment plan that is set up**. If your fines and costs are \$500.00 or less, you will be set up on a **six-month** payment plan. If your total fines and costs are more than \$500.00, you will be set up on a **twelve-month** payment plan.
- If the defendant defaults on a payment agreement he/she will have to petition the court for a subsequent payment agreement and a down payment will be required. If the fines and costs owed are less than \$500.00, 10% of total owed will have to be paid down to enter into a new payment plan. If fines and cost owed are more than \$500.00, 5% or \$50.00, whichever is greater, will be due to enter into a new payment plan.
- Any time a payment plan has been defaulted, the account will incur additional collection fees
  and interest. If restitution is owed, the <u>restitution will have to be paid in full</u> before a payment
  plan can be set up for fines and costs.

## A CONVENIENCE FEE OF 4% IS ADDED EVERY TIME A PAYMENT IS MADE WITH A CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD.

**PURSUANT** to 19.2-354 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, any person upon whom a fine and/or costs has been imposed has the option to discharge all or part of the fine and/or costs by earning credits for the performance of community service work. Any person desiring to enter this program shall file an appropriate motion with the Court and be scheduled for a hearing before this court on such motion. Such motion shall be subject to approval by the Court. If such motion is approved, a credit will be earned at the rate of the Federal Hourly Minimum Wage per hour of community service against the fines and/or costs.