

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

GENERAL DISTRICT
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TIME TO PAY AGREEMENT POLICY

After appearing in court, defendants have 30 days to pay their fines and/or costs, but may choose 90 days for an additional \$10. If you initially choose the 30 days, then decide that isn't long enough, you MUST COME IN to sign a 90 day time to pay agreement.

If you need more time after your initial deferred date, we will check your account to determine if you have been making regular payments. If you have been making an effort to pay, you will be given additional time. If you have not made any payments since your initial time to pay agreement, we will require a 10% payment before extending your time to pay. YOU WILL HAVE TO SIGN A NEW TIME TO PAY AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW DUE DATE.

Failure to pay fines and costs that are due MAY result in the court issuing a show cause summons or a capias for the arrest of the defendant AND upon finding of guilt, the court MAY impose up to 60 days in jail for the defendant to serve and/or a \$500.00 fine, pursuant to the Virginia Code section 19.2-358.

POLICY FOR THE RESTORATION OF PRIVILEGE TO DRIVE PURSUANT TO CODE SECTION 19.2-354

A person whose privilege to drive has been suspended for failure to pay fines and costs may have that driving privilege restored by entering into a DEFERRED PAYMENT AGREEMENT. This privilege requires a **MANDATORY APPEARANCE**. After entering into a payment plan you MUST go to DMV and pay them a reinstatement fee.

The following conditions must be met to enter into a deferred payment plan:

- The defendant must pay 10% of the total outstanding balance due.
 OR, at the discretion of the Judge (Tues. /Fri. before noon only), for good cause shown, you may be permitted to pay a reduced down payment based on the filing of a detailed financial statement. NOTE: SOME DOWN PAYMENT WILL BE REQUIRED.
- 2. The defendant must complete an acknowledgement of suspension form (DC210).
- 3. The defendant must provide:

- a) Complete employment information, verified by a recent pay stub.
- b) Confirmation of Social Security number.
- c) Current address.
- 4. The terms of the Deferred Payment Agreement shall be determined by the remaining balance owed by the defendant as follows:

a) REMAINING BALANCE UP TO \$200.00 90 DAYS b) REMAINING BALANCE \$200 - \$1,000.00 6 MONTHS c) REMAINING BALANCE OVER \$1,000.00 12 MONTHS

5. If the defendant fails to honor the Deferred Payment Agreement, the Court shall notify the Department of Motor Vehicles of the default and suspend the defendant's driving privilege

The court may, AT THE DESCRETION OF THE JUDGE only, credit acceptable and properly verified community service work towards the defendant's obligation to pay fines and costs.

Your payment options are: check, money order, credit card or cash, if you come in person. You can pay on-line, by mail, or in person. We DO NOT take payments over the phone. There is an ADDITIONAL 4% fee for using your credit card (whether paying on-line or in person).

PLEASE NOTE: THIS PAYMENT POLICY DOES NOT APPLY TO RESTITUTION. NO EXTENSIONS WILL BE GRANTED BY THE CLERK FOR RESTITUTION OWED. IF YOU OWE RESTITUTION, IT MUST BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE YOU CAN BE PLACED ON A DEFERRED PAYMENT PLAN FOR FINES AND COSTS.

CHIEF GENERAL DISTRICT JUDGE:

CHIEF JUVENILE & DOMESTIC RELATIONS JUDGE:

DATE: 8-14-15