

## Driver's Safety Course

In some cases the Defendant may be able to complete a Driver's Safety Course (DSC). You may be eligible if:

1. You have been charged with a traffic offense under the Subtitle C, Transportation Code;
2. You have not taken a DSC within the last 12 months prior to the date of the traffic offense;
3. You have a valid Texas Class C driver's license;
4. You have proof of financial responsibility (Insurance)
5. You are not currently taking a course for another violation;
6. You have not committed on of the following offenses: Speeding 25 mph over the speed limit; Failure to give information at the accident scene; Leaving the scene of an accident; Fleeing or attempting to elude police officers; Reckless driving; or Passing a school bus.

**AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2003 YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR DEFERRED DISPOSITION IF YOU POSSESS A CLASS A OR B DRIVER'S LICENSE, EVEN IF YOU ARE IN A PERSONAL VEHICLE.**

If you meet the eligibility requirements listed above, you may request to dispose of your citation by completing the Driver's Safety Course in person or through the mail (*see Printable Forms – Request for Driver's Safety Course*) on or before your appearance date. You must pay the \$97.00 court costs and a \$10.00 Administration Fee totaling \$107.00 at the time of the request. You may not attend a Driver's Safety Course until your request has been granted by the Court. If granted, your case will be suspended for 90 days for you to attend a DSC, obtain a copy of your driving record from the State and return your driving record and course completion certificate to the Court. (The Court will provide you with a form to send to the State to request your driving record or you may request a copy online at [TexasOnline.com](http://TexasOnline.com)-record type 3A only) There is a \$10.00 fee to obtain your record from the State (\$12.00 fee for obtaining a copy online). You may attend any class that is approved by the Texas Education Agency (Driver's Safety Course locations –[www.tea.state.tx.us/drive/activetestds.html](http://www.tea.state.tx.us/drive/activetestds.html)). If you do not complete the course and/or return the forms by the due date, you will be required to appear at the show cause hearing date on your approval paperwork to explain why you failed to complete the requirements of judgment. The Judge may extend the time to complete the course if good cause is shown. If you fail to appear at this Court date, it will result in a warrant for your arrest.