

DEFERRED DISPOSITION

Deferred Disposition is an option that will keep your citation from being reported as a conviction on your driving record and will be dismissed if all terms required are successfully met. If any requirements are not met, you will be required to appear in person for a hearing before the Judge to show cause why you failed to meet the requirements. You will receive notice in the mail of when to appear. If you can provide satisfactory reasons to the Judge on why you did not complete the terms, you may be given more time to comply.

YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR DEFERRED DISPOSITION IF:

1. The citation alleges that you were speeding in a construction zone with workers present.
2. You were cited for speeding 25 mph or more over the limit, or 95 mph or more in any zone. (possible with Judge's approval only)
3. You have a commercial driver's license (CDL) even if you were operating your private vehicle.
4. You were cited for passing a school bus

HOW TO REQUEST DEFERRED DISPOSITION:

1. If eligible, you can submit a plea of GUILTY or NO CONTEST and a written request NO LATER than the appearance date on your citation:
 - a. By mail to Municipal Court, P.O. Box 179, Richland, TX 76681
 - b. In person: 103 W. Main Street, Richland, TX 76681
 - c. By email at court@richlandtexas.gov

Once the clerk receives your request, it will be processed and a letter mailed to the mailing address you provide, giving you the terms of your deferral, and instructions for completing the process for it to be dismissed.

PLEASE NOTE: The cost for most deferrals is \$334 for any traffic violation (for any other type of violation please contact the court). If the fee is paid in full along with our request, your deferral will be for 30 days. If you need time to pay the fee, your deferral will be for 90 days and you will be allowed to make payments over the 90 day period.

NOTE: A \$15 time payment fee will be added to any balance on the 31st day after your deferred has been granted.