

# JP3 DRIVING SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY & REQUIREMENTS

**Do not take the driving safety course without approval from the court.**

**All requests must be done in person or by mail. Online requests are not accepted.**

**A defendant may request a driving safety course if the following criteria are met:**

- You must be at least 17 years of age at the time of the offense;
- Haven't taken the driving safety course within the 12 months preceding the date of the current offense;
- Must have a valid Texas driver's license or permit (**holders of Commercial Driver's License are NOT eligible**) or are a member, or the spouse or dependent child of a member, of the United States military forces serving on active duty; and
- Have proof of financial responsibility (automobile liability insurance). **Your name must be listed on the policy.**

**You do not qualify for the driving safety course if:**

- Alleged speed was 25 mph or more over the speed limit **or** speed exceeded 95 mph;
- Traffic offenses committed by a person with a commercial driver's license;
- Offense was committed in a construction zone with workers present;
- Passing a school bus offenses; or
- Fail to stop and render aid offenses.

If you meet the requirements above, you can make your request **in person or by mail to the Court on or before your appearance date listed on your citation.**

**To request the driving safety course by mail:**

1. Download, print, and complete the request/affidavit for a driver's safety course. The affidavit must be sworn to and notarized prior to being sent to the court.
2. Include the following with your request:
  - Request/affidavit for a driving safety course (must be notarized);
  - A 3A certified copy of driving record maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Driving Records can be obtained at the following DPS website:  
<http://www.dps.texas.gov/DriverLicense/driverrecords.htm>
  - A copy of proof of financial responsibility (automobile liability insurance);
  - A copy of your valid Texas driver's license, or permit or proof that you are a member or the spouse or dependent child of a member of the United States military forces serving on active duty; and
  - A **money order** payable to Montgomery County for the amount below:
    - i. **\$145.00**, with your cause number written on the memo line. **No personal checks are accepted.**

The defendant must take a 6 hour TDLR (Texas Department Licensing and Regulation) approved driving safety course and present the **SIGNED COURT COPY** of the course completion and Affidavit by the 90<sup>th</sup> day in person, by mail, fax or email to the contact information listed below.

Ticket No./Cause No. \_\_\_\_\_

State of Texas

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In The Justice Court

vs

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Precinct No. Three

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(Defendant Name)

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Montgomery County, Texas

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Judge Matt Beasley

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### DRIVING SAFETY OR MOTORCYCLE OPERATOR COURSE AFFIDAVIT

I am requesting the option to complete a state approved 6 hour driving safety course to dismiss my ticket. I hereby state that:

- I am pleading  **GUILTY**  **NOLO CONTENDERE** (check one) to the charge, and I am waiving my right to trial by jury.
- I have a valid Texas License or Permit. I DO NOT hold a commercial driver’s license.
- I have not taken and I am not currently taking a driving safety or motorcycle operator course to dismiss a ticket in the past twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of this offense.
- I certify that I have shown to the court proof of financial responsibility (liability insurance) as required by law.
- I understand I must present a **copy of my driving record (Form 3A Certified)** maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Driving records may be obtained at the DPS website: [dps.texas.gov/DriverLicense/driverrecords.htm](https://dps.texas.gov/DriverLicense/driverrecords.htm)
- I understand I must present to the court proof of completion of a TDLR (Texas Department Licensing and Regulation) approved driving safety within 90 days from the date my fees are received. The **signed court copy of completion certificate** must be submitted in person, by mail, fax or email to the contact options listed below. Courses can be found at: [www.tdlr.texas.gov/DESSearch](http://www.tdlr.texas.gov/DESSearch)
- It is my responsibility to verify that the court has recorded my proof and dispositioned my charge accordingly.
- If for any reason I do not complete the course and present proof to the court within 90 days from the date my fees are received, I will be required to appear in court. If I fail to appear as required, it may result in a warrant being issued for my arrest. I will be required to pay the additional fine amount of \$200.00. A \$15.00 time payment fee will be assessed 31 days from the Judgment date. Any amount paid at the time of my request is non-refundable. It does not go toward the fine amount due of \$200.00.
- I have provided my current contact information below. I understand it is my responsibility to notify the court of any changes. **Must provide Phone Number & E-Mail below.**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Defendant Signature      Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ A.D.

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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas