

**TRAFFIC & NON-TRAFFIC VIOLATION BUREAU
MUNICIPAL COURT CITY OF SIKESTON**
Memo: Authorization to pay Fines & Court Costs without appearing in Court

If you have received a ticket or complaint for any of the offenses listed below, you may enter a written plea of guilty and pay your fine and court costs without personally appearing in court. To do so, you or someone acting on your behalf must present your copy of the traffic ticket/complaint with your signature on the back and payment of the fine and court costs to the Court Clerk at the Traffic Violation Bureau, 105 E. Center St., Sikeston, Missouri, located in the Sikeston City Hall. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. (PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 4:00 P.M. THE DAY BEFORE COURT, NO EXCEPTIONS.) No written pleas of guilty or fines will be accepted if you have more than two prior convictions for the same or a similar offense within 2 (two) years preceding the date of the violation.

You have the right to a trial. Signing the plea of guilty and paying the fines and cost will have the same effect as a court judgment. All court proceedings are conducted in the Sikeston Municipal Courtroom, 131 N. New Madrid St., Sikeston, Missouri.

NOTICE: Failure to appear on the court date indicated on your ticket or to satisfy your ticket in the manner provided above may result in the issuing of a warrant for your arrest.

ALL FINES AND COURT COSTS ARE TO BE PAID IN FULL UPON ENTRY OF A PLEA OF GUILTY, OR FINDING OF GUILTY BY THE COURT.

Fines and Court Costs (\$26.50 on each traffic ticket) are as follows:

<u>Offense Charged</u>	<u>Fine (1st Offense)</u>	<u>Fine (2nd Offense)</u>
Speed (1-19 miles)	\$76.50	\$126.50
Speed (in excess of 20 miles)	Must appear in court	
Stop Sign	\$76.50	\$126.50
Stop Light	\$101.50	\$176.50
Careless & Imprudent	\$76.50	\$126.50
Improper Turn	\$76.50	\$126.50
Wrong Way One Way	\$76.50	\$126.50
Child Restraint	\$51.50	\$51.50
Seat Belt	\$10.00	\$10.00
Illegal Parking	\$51.50	\$76.50
Handicap Parking	\$76.50	\$126.50
Defective Equipment	\$51.50	\$76.50
Improper Registration	\$76.50	\$126.50
Expired Registration	\$51.50 w/proof (\$76.50 no proof)	\$76.50
Not Motorcycle Qual	\$76.50	\$226.50
Violation Resulting in Car Accident	\$176.50	Must appear in court
No Operator License	\$176.50	\$276.50
Expired Operator License	\$76.50	\$126.50
No Proof Automobile Insurance	\$76.50	\$126.50
Restriction Violation	\$51.50	\$76.50
Obstruction Bicycle Lane	\$76.50	\$126.50
Safe Distance (Bicycle)	\$226.50	Must appear in court
Fail Yield (Bicycle)	\$226.50	Must appear in court
Improper Pedestrian Crossing	\$31.50	\$36.50
Improper Lane Change	\$76.50	\$126.50
Failure to Signal	\$51.50	\$76.50
Obstructing Traffic	\$126.50	
Railroad Crossing Violations	\$126.50	
<u>NON-TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS:</u>		
Animal at Large	\$101.50	\$151.50
No Rabies Tags	\$51.50	\$76.50
Animal Neglect	\$101.50	\$176.50
Aggressive Animal	\$126.50	\$226.50
Illegal Burning	\$51.50	\$76.50
Failure to Register Tenant	\$126.50	\$226.50
Failure to Register Rental Property	\$526.50	
No Merchants License	\$126.50	
Noise Violation	\$126.50	2nd, Must appear in court
Littering	\$126.50	
Failure to Return Library Books	\$31.50	

For verification of fines amount, please contact the Court Clerks at (573) 475-3705, 5 days after receiving your ticket(s). (\$26.50 court cost assessed on all tickets)

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all schedules of fines, in effect in this court, May 15, 2008, 2007, shall thereafter remain in effect and be the schedules, policies and procedures of this court until further order of this court.

Franklin Marshall, Municipal Judge