

**BOVINA MUNICIPAL COURT**

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MUNICIPAL JUDGE DONNA MITCHELL

JUDGE HOURS: MON. 9AM – 5PM & TUES. 1PM – 5PM

MUNICIPAL COURT HOURS: MON. – THURS. 9AM – 11:30AM & 12:30PM – 5:00PM

**SPEEDING TABLE ACCORDING TO NUMBER OF MPH OVER THE SPEED LIMIT**

1-7 MPH OVER .....	\$136.00
8-12 MPH .....	\$161.00
13-15 MPH .....	\$201.00
16-19 MPH .....	\$231.00
20-24 MPH .....	\$266.00
25 MPH AND OVER .....	\$296.00
SPEEDING IN A SCHOOL ZONE.....	<b>CONTACT THE COURT</b>

EXPIRED DRIVER'S LICENSE.....	\$158.00
NO DRIVER'S LICENSE (1 <sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE).....	\$217.00
VIOLATING D.L. RESTRICTION.....	\$217.00
FAILURE TO CHANGE ADDRESS.....	\$136.00
PERMITTING UNLICENSED DRIVER TO DRIVE.....	\$216.00
FAILURE TO DISPLAY D.L .....	\$136.00
NO OR EXPIRED INSPECTION .....	\$136.00
NO OR EXPIRED REGISTRATION .....	\$196.00
FAILURE TO DRIVE IN A SINGLE LANE .....	\$152.00
DISREGARD STOP SIGN .....	\$177.00
FAIL TO STOP FOR SCHOOL BUS (LOADING/UNLOADING .....	\$625.00
CHILD NOT SECURED BY SAFETY BELT (4-16 YRS).....	\$248.00
CHILD NOT SECURED BY SAFETY BELT (UNDER 4 YRS) .....	\$247.00
NOT SECURED BY SAFETY BELT .....	\$149.00
ALLOWING CHILD UNDER 18 TO RIDE IN OPEN BED.....	\$297.00
FAIL TO MAINTAIN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (1 <sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE).....	\$276.00
OPEN CONTAINER IN VEHICLE .....	\$292.00
VIOLATE PROMISE TO APPEAR.....	\$262.00
PUBLIC INTOXICATION .....	\$362.00
PASSING IN NO-PASSING ZONE.....	\$142.00
ALL OTHER FINES.....	<b>CONTACT THE COURT</b>

If you wish to dispose of the charge(s) now pending against you in this Court without making a personal appearance, you may do so by referring to the schedule shown above to determine the fee(s) due, and complete the form on the back of this courtesy letter **ON OR BEFORE THE APPEARANCE DATE FOUND ON YOUR CITATION**, or the fine listed may not apply.

**PAYMENT ACCEPTED BY MAIL, IN PERSON, OR BY PHONE (IF APPLICABLE): CHECK, MONEY ORDER, CREDIT/DEBIT CARD, CASH (EXACT).** Online payment option soon available!

**IF YOU ARE A MINOR (UNDER 17 YEARS OF AGE), YOU MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT/ GUARDIAN TO SEE THE JUDGE DURING HER OFFICE HOURS.**

\*Requirements for Complaint or Compliment against a Peace Officer, which you will have to follow according to the Sandra Bland Act Sec. 614.0226: **1) Name & phone number or email address of the person filing the complaint or compliment; 2) The location of the interaction with the Peace officer; and 3) A description of the basis for the complaint or compliment. You can file the Complaint or Compliment in person at Bovina City Hall, 205 North Street, Bovina, Texas 79009, or via email at www.cityofbovina.net & forward it to the Chief of Police.**

**OPTIONS REGARDING TRAFFIC CITATIONS IN MUNICIPAL COURT**

**Plea must be received in writing and is REQUIRED by mail or in person ONLY, PLEAS BY PHONE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

CHECK ONE OF THE PLEAS BELOW (1, 2, OR 3) COMPLETE #4, OPTIONAL #5 & #6. AND MAIL TO THE COURT:

1.  I hereby enter a plea of **GUILTY** to the violation(s), waive appearance for trial. (You may enclose payment and mail form and fine to the Court).
2.  I hereby enter a plea of **NOLO CONTENDERE** (No Contest) to the violation, waive appearance for trial. (You may enclose payment and mail form and fine to the Court).
3.  I hereby enter a plea of **NOT GUILTY, \$200 APPEARANCE BOND ENCLOSED AND I REQUEST A TRIAL BY:**  Judge **OR**  Jury (select one)
4. Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Phone:(\_\_\_) \_\_\_-\_\_\_ Driver's License \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_
5.  I request to Defer Citation # \_\_\_\_\_
6.  I request to complete a Driver's Safety Course for Citation # \_\_\_\_\_

**DSC MUST BE REQUESTED BY YOUR INITIAL APPEARANCE DATE.**

**DRIVER'S SAFETY COURSE (DSC): Code of Criminal Procedure: Art. 45.0511 YOU MAY**

request that one charge which is pending against you be dismissed by taking a Driving Safety Course, provided that you are a Texas resident with a valid Texas driver's license. Available to all Active Duty Military. You must not have completed a course within the last 12 months. The violation pending against you must not be 25 MPH or more over the posted speed limit. Enter a plea of Guilty or No Contest, proof of Insurance (you must be insured), driver's license, Texas driving record (DR-1 form, request 3-A), and \$110.00 fee must be submitted to the Court by your initial appearance date. Once received, the Court will send you a form to have notarized. For Military: must send a copy of Active Military ID. Original Certificate of Completion must be submitted on or before the 90<sup>th</sup> day of Citation date. All Texas approved courses can be found at: [www.texasapprovedcourses.com](http://www.texasapprovedcourses.com)

**DEFERRED DISPOSITION MUST BE REQUESTED BY YOUR INITIAL APPEARANCE DATE.**

Contact the Court regarding Deferral procedure.

**DUE TO FEDERAL LAW, DSC / DEFERRAL ARE NOT AN OPTION FOR CDL LICENSE HOLDERS.**

The Law Provided that Failure to pay your fine or otherwise contact the Court by the APPEARANCE Date, CONSTITUTES ANOTHER OFFENSE AND A CHARGE OF "Violate written promise to appear" can be filed against you resulting in your driver's license being reported to Austin to be flagged. Residents of another State, your Driver's License will be subject to suspension according to the non-resident violator's compact. SURCHARGE NOTICE: AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2003, a conviction of an offense under a traffic law of this State or a Political Subdivision of the State may result in the assessment on your driver's license of a surcharge under the Driver Responsibility Program.