

TRAFFIC DIVISION FINE/COSTS SCHEDULE

The following fine/costs schedule may be used for all citations on or after 7/1/19. Contact the court at 989-875-5240 for specific questions not already addressed in this listing.

Note, payment is due within 14 days and must be postmarked by the 14th day to be accepted as payment in full.

As of 12/31/10, new legislation allows drivers a one-time opportunity to avoid points for a minor moving violation by successfully completing a Basic Driver Improvement Course (BDIC). Upon notice from the Michigan Department of State, eligible drivers will have 60 days to complete a basic driver improvement course satisfactorily. For general information questions contact Secretary of State at 888-767-6424.

TO PLEAD NOT GUILTY OR NOT RESPONSIBLE

If you have received a traffic citation (not requiring a personal appearance) and wish to plead not guilty or not responsible, call the court at 989-875-5240 for an appointment before the Judge or Magistrate. You must request the hearing within 14 days of the ticket issue date.

As of November 2018, 65B District Court offers drivers the ability to have their traffic ticket reviewed online for an amended ticket to Impeding Traffic. If allowed, this would not add any points to the driver's driving record. Refer to the Online Ticket Review tab.

ONLINE PAYMENTS! www.gratiotmi.com or www.GovPayNow.com PLC 6732

If you admit responsibility or admit responsibility with explanation:

POINTS WILL NOT BE WAIVED OR ALTERED

THIS COURT DOES NOT TAKE MATTERS UNDER ADVISEMENT

Courts are required, by state law, to report convictions of traffic offenses to the Michigan Secretary of State upon conviction and have no authority over the assessment of points.

65B District Court will accept your personal check or money order by mail on tickets that have not gone to suspension.

Please date and sign the back of your ticket and mail to:

65B District Court
Traffic Division
245 E. Newark Street
Ithaca MI 48847

SPEEDING VIOLATIONS POSTED 75 mph, 65 mph, 55 mph
OR ALL OTHER POSTED AND NON-POSTED ZONES.

1 thru 5 over	\$125.00
6 thru 10 over	\$160.00
11 thru 15 over	\$190.00
16 and over	\$240.00

SPEEDING IN A CONSTRUCTION, SCHOOL or EMERGENCY SCENE ZONE

1 thru 5 over	\$155.00
6 thru 10 over	\$200.00
11 thru 15 over	\$240.00
16 and over	\$340.00

ASSESSMENT OF POINTS BY SECRETARY OF STATE.

Limited Access Freeway Posted 75 mph	All Other Posted & Non-Posted
1-5 over 0 points	1-5 over 1 point
6-10 over 1 point	6-10 over 2 points
11-15 over 2 points	11-15 over 3 points
16-25 over 3 points	16 over 4 points
26 over 4 points	

Construction Zone Points

1-10 over 3 points
11-15 over 4 points
16 over 5 points

VIOLATION	MV SECTION	TOTAL	POINTS
BASIC SPEED LAW	257.627	\$125.00	2
Fail to have vehicle under control			
Fail to stop in assured clear distance			
Too fast for conditions			
Fail to use due care and caution			
Violation minimum freeway speed	257.628	\$125.00	2
CARELESS DRIVING	257.626b	\$240.00	3
CHILD RESTRAINT VIOLATION	257.710D	\$ 85.00	0
DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	257.683	\$ 70.00	0

If defect is repaired and proof shown to the court within 14 days fine/costs waived.

(Repair the problem. Take your ticket and your vehicle to a local police department. If the violation has been satisfactorily repaired, the officer will sign the back of your ticket. You must then mail/bring your signed ticket copy to the court within 14 days from date of issue.)

VIOLATION	MV SECTION	TOTAL	POINTS
FAIL TO STOP			
Stop Sign	257.649	\$130.00	3
Traffic Signal	257.612	\$130.00	3
Flashing Red Light	257.614	\$130.00	3
Entering/Crossing Highway	257.652	\$130.00	3
Funeral Traffic	257.654	\$130.00	2
School bus (within 10 ft)	257.682	\$240.00	3
FAIL TO YIELD			
Open Intersections	257.649	\$130.00	2
Yield Signs			
FIRE EQUIPMENT			
Following too Closely	257.679	\$240.00	2
Crossing Fire Hose	257.680	\$240.00	2
FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY			
Tailgating	257.643	\$125.00	2
HEADLIGHTS			
Fail to Dim	257.700	\$100.00	2
Improper Use of Lights	257.684	\$100.00	2
No Lights After Dark	257.684a	\$100.00	2
INSURANCE			
No Valid Proof Produced	257.328	\$150.00	0
*No Proof of Insurance	257.328	\$ 25.00	0
*Valid proof of insurance must be shown to the court within 14 days from the ticket issue date. Proof must be valid on the date of offense and for the same motor vehicle as listed on the ticket.			
LANE USE			
Straddling or Left of Center	257.634	\$130.00	2
Left of Center/Oncoming Traffic	257.635	\$130.00	2
Improper Lane Use	257.642	\$130.00	2
LICENSE			
Expired up to 30 Days	257.301	\$155.00	2
Expired over 30 Days	257.301	\$195.00	2
Expired over 1 Year	257.301	\$290.00	2
No License on Person	257.311		
*Proof Shown Within 14 Days	Dismissed		
Proof Shown After 14 Days	257.311	\$195.00	0
*Violation will be dismissed if you show a valid license within 14 days from ticket issue date. You must take your ticket plus your valid license to a local police agency within 14 days from ticket date. If it is valid the officer will sign and date the back of the ticket. Bring/mail that signed copy to the court within 14 days from the ticket date.			

VIOLATION	MV SECTION	TOTAL	POINTS
No Chauffeur Endorsement	257.301	\$235.00	2
Fail Change Address	257.315	\$ 65.00	0
License Restriction Call Court			
Instruction Permit Call Court			
MIP - Alcohol			
Minor Consume/Possession/Purchase Alcohol-State Civil Infraction 1 st offense only \$310.00			
MIP - Marijuana			
Minor Consume/Possession Marijuana-State Civil Infraction 1 st offense only \$100.00			
MOTORCYCLES			
No Cycle Endorsement	257.312a	\$235.00	2
No Goggles	257.708a	\$ 85.00	0
No Helmet	257.658a	\$ 85.00	0
Operate on Sidewalk	750.419	\$235.00	0
Handlebar Height	257.661a	Call Court for instructions	
OBSTRUCTED VISION			
Frost on windshield	257.709	\$120.00	2
Passenger Obstruction	257.677	\$120.00	2
Dangling Object from Mirror	257.709	\$120.00	2
OFF ROAD VEHICLE			
No Registration		\$145.00	0
Expired Registration			
Up to 90 Days		\$ 85.00	0
Over 90 Days		\$145.00	0
On Public Highway		\$235.00	0
In Prohibited Area		\$145.00	0
Operate Unregistered ORV		\$145.00	0
PASSING			
Improper Overtaking			
Right/Left Shoulder	257.637	\$130.00	3
Improper Passing	257.636	\$130.00	3
Passing in Marked No Pass Zone	257.640	\$130.00	3
Passing on Hill	257.639	\$240.00	3
PARKING			
Disregard Handicap Parking Sign	257.674(1)(s)	\$150.00	0
Improper Use of Handicap Permit	257.675(5)	\$150.00	0
PBT/Refuse	257.625h(5)	\$240.00	0

VIOLATION	MV SECTION	TOTAL	POINTS
REGISTRATION			
No Valid Proof of Registration	257.223	\$130.00	0
Valid Proof Shown After 14 Days		\$ 70.00	0
Fine/costs will be waived if you show valid registration to the court within 14 days of ticket issue date. You must take your ticket plus valid registration to a local police agency within 14 days from ticket date. If the registration is valid, the officer will sign and date the back of your ticket. You will also need to sign and date the back of the ticket. Bring/mail that signed copy to the court within 14 days from ticket date.			
Expired Plate			
Up to 90 Days	257.255	\$ 85.00	0
Over 90 Days	257.255	\$145.00	0
No Trailer Plate	257.216	\$235.00	0
No Plate on Vehicle	257.255	\$145.00	0
Improper Plate on Vehicle	257.256	\$295.00	0
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD			
Disobey Directive	257.613d	\$330.00	3
SEAT BELT VIOLATION			
Driver or Passenger	257.710e	\$ 65.00	0
SNOWMOBILES			
No Registration		\$235.00	0
Expired Registration			
Up to 90 Days		\$175.00	0
Over 90 Days		\$235.00	0
Use in Prohibited Area or Highway		\$235.00	0
No Headlight or Taillight		\$180.00	0
URNS			
Fail to Signal Turn	257.648	\$130.00	2
Improper Right/Left Turn	257.647	\$130.00	2
From Wrong Lane	257.647	\$130.00	2
Prohibited Turn	257.647	\$130.00	2
Ignore Left/Right Turn Only Sign	257.611	\$130.00	2
Ignore Do Not Enter Sign	257.611	\$130.00	2
WRONG WAY or WRONG SIDE			
Crossed Median	257.644	\$130.00	2
Wrong Side/Divided Highway	257.644	\$240.00	2
Wrong Side/Undivided Highway	257.634	\$130.00	2
Wrong Way/One Way	257.641	\$130.00	2

If you have been charged with an offense not listed above, contact the court at 989-875-5240 immediately. If the offense does not require a personal appearance you will receive instructions on how to handle the citation by mail or in person. Payment for tickets are due within 14 days of the ticket issue date.

LEGAL ADVICE

Deputy Clerks and employees of the 65B District Court cannot give legal advice. They are not attorneys and cannot advise you on legal issues. They may provide general information regarding court operations and procedures. They can provide you, at your request, any blank form the court has in stock at a small fee.

When you ask:

“What form do I use?”

“How do I fill out this form?”

“What part of the law applies in my case?”

“What does this mean?”

These all seem like simple questions, but in fact they are legal questions asking for legal guidance. Legal questions should be referred to your attorney. If you do not have an attorney, check the internet for an attorney in your area. Additionally, The State Bar of Michigan offers a lawyer referral service. The phone number is 517-482-8816. The web site is www.michbar.org