

Effective July 1, 2019 at 0000 hrs, there are changes that are being made throughout the State of Illinois. The clerk has advised;

- 1) New court diversion envelopes were created that indicate new fines for all minor traffic offenses. All minor traffic offense fines are now \$164.
- 2) Bond amounts were revised. If a bond is less than \$1,200 then a 10% **DOES NOT APPLY** any longer. If the bond is over \$1,200, then you will be able to use the 10% applies method.

MINOR TRAFFIC – Petty offenses is a promise to comply (PTC) and no signature is required. If more than one ticket is issued an automatic court date is assigned to the driver, but you will no longer check the **“YOU MUST APPEAR IN COURT”** in the lower right corner. This will give the driver the option to pay the fines in the clerk’s office without attending court. The mandatory court appearances are listed in the cheat sheet book by an asterisk (*). If it is a required mandatory court appearance (noted with an *), then you will check the **“YOU MUST APPEAR IN COURT”** box on the citation.

MAJOR TRAFFIC- Misdemeanors (A, B and C) fines ARE \$2,500 and 10% will still apply. There are 4 exceptions to this rule: Street racing, DUI, AND Mandatory Ins. Suspension ARE ALL \$3000 bonds/or \$1000 plus DL.

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NO INSURANCE- Will remain \$2,000 (but treat as a petty offense with promise to comply)

- No need to take the license or have the driver sign
- Note: 2 or more tickets will be an automatic court date

NON-TRAFFIC MISDEMEANOR OFFENSES- Must be a cash bond or an I bond only for \$100. You will no longer use D-Bonds as an option.

Cook County’s rule will still apply as you will go with the **HIGHEST BOND**. This will include the combination of traffic/misdemeanor or traffic incidents by itself.

I have attached a cheat sheet that will break everything down for you until we get used to the new way. Any questions let me know and I will help in any way possible.

**At midnight on July 1st, please return all previous court diversion envelopes that you may have and place them in the box that will be set out in the squad room * New envelopes will be available and located in the ticket envelope drawer.*