Superior Court of the State of California County of Grange



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Juvenile Court Administrative Order No. 12/005-900.3

Informal and Juvenile Traffic Court

Cases are assigned to Informal Juvenile and Traffic Court pursuant to the Juvenile Violations Filing Guidelines, attached as Exhibit A. Informal Juvenile and Traffic Court is presided over by a Juvenile Hearing Officer with authority to hear traffic and minor offenses pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 255. There is no court reporter present for these proceedings. Minors and their parents must check in at the 2nd floor Traffic Counter, and will be brought to the Department and provided further instructions and information prior to the start of proceedings.

Minors with hearings in Informal and Juvenile Traffic have the right to have their case heard confidentially, and if you have been charged with a misdemeanor, the right to request a formal petition be filed. Minors have the right to have an attorney present to represent them on any misdemeanor charge filed by petition. If you cannot afford an attorney, the Court will appoint one to represent you and your parents may be responsible for reimbursing the costs of legal representation.

This Juvenile Court Administrative Order is to remain in effect until otherwise ordered by the Presiding Judge of Juvenile Court.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 2012:

DOUGLAS J. HATCHMONJI PRESIDING JUDGE of JUVENILE COURT

JUVENILE VIOLATIONS FILING GUIDELINES

JUSTICE CENTERS Pursuant to W&I 256	JUVENILE COURT Via Citation	PROBATION DEPARTMENT Application for Petition Pursuant to W&I 602*
VEHICLE CODE Infractions filed via citation except offenses listed under Juvenile Court category	VEHICLE CODE VC 12500, 21200.5*, 21221.5*, 23136*, 23140*, 23222 via citation All misdemeanors, except those listed under Probation Department category	VEHICLE CODE VC 14601(a), 14601.2, 23152, 23153
PENAL CODE All Infractions filed via citation	PENAL CODE PC 602(m), 647(f), 640a	PENAL CODE PC 594, 594.1 (b, d, e) All misdemeanors, except those listed under Juvenile Court category All felonies
BUSINESS & PROFESSIONS CODE Infractions filed via citation except those listed under Juvenile Court category.	BUSINESS & PROFESSIONS CODE BP 25658.5(a), 25661 & 25662	BUSINESS & PROFESSIONS CODE All misdemeanors, except those listed under Juvenile Court Category All felonies
HEALTH & SAFETY CODE Infractions filed via citation except 11357(b)	HEALTH & SAFETY CODE H&S 11357(b) via citation	HEALTH & SAFETY CODE All misdemeanors All felonies
FISH & GAME CODE All Infractions filed via citation	FISH & GAME All misdemeanors	FISH & GAME All felonies
HARBORS & NAVIGATION CODE Infractions filed via citation and any equipment and registration provisions under this section.	HARBORS & NAVIGATION CODE None	HARBORS & NAVIGATION CODE All misdemeanors All felonies

^{*}To be assigned to a 602 Courtroom

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JUSTICE CENTERS	JUVENILE COURT	PROBATION DEPARTMENT
Pursuant to W&I 256	Via Citation	Application for Petition
		Pursuant to W&I 602*
LOCAL ORDINANCE	LOCAL ORDINANCE	LOCAL ORDINANCE
Infractions filed via citation except violations relating to curfew.	Any violation relating to curfew	Law enforcement personnel are advised that nothing contained herein precludes the submittal of an Application for Petition to the Probation Department if it is determined that a serious misdemeanor violation warrants the processing of the minor under W&I 602.
	Misdemeanors filed by Citation	
	Misdemeanors for traffic offenses, loitering, and evasion of fare of public transportation system as defined in Public Utilities Section 99211.	
PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE	PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE	PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE
All Infractions filed via citation	Misdemeanor violations of rules/regulations established per Public Resource Code 5003 and 5008 (including CCR/ T14 - direct filings.)	All misdemeanors, except those listed under Juvenile Court category. All felonies
STREET & HIGHWAY CODE	STREET & HIGHWAY CODE	STREET & HIGHWAY CODE
All Infractions via citation	Misdemeanor traffic regulations as defined in Section 27176	All misdemeanors, except those listed under Juvenile Court Category.
		All felonies
MISCELLANEOUS		
Justice Centers may file ANY INFRACTION, except curfew violations, of any state or local law that is submitted via citation.	Law enforcement personnel are advised that nothing contained herein precludes the submittal of an Application for Petition to the Probation Department if it is determined that a serious misdemeanor violation warrants the processing of the minor under W&I 602.	

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Your Rights in the Informal Juvenile and Traffic Court

The court you are appearing before today is known as the Informal Juvenile and Traffic Court. Your case will be heard by a juvenile hearing officer (usually a probation officer) who has been approved by the court to hear certain types of juvenile offenses.

- 1. You have the right to remain silent.
- 2. You have the right to have your case heard confidentially (without other minors or parents being present in the courtroom.)
- 3. You have the right to confront the witnesses in court and cross-examine them.
- 4. You have the right to have witnesses subpoenaed on your behalf by the court.
- 5. If you have been charged with a misdemeanor:
 - a. You have the right to request that a formal petition be filed.
 - b. You have the right to have an attorney represent you on any misdemeanor charge. If you cannot afford an attorney, the Court will appoint one to represent you. If you choose to have an attorney appointed, your parents may be responsible for reimbursing the costs of legal representation.
- 6. After the juvenile hearing officer makes his or her decision, you may ask the presiding judge of the juvenile court to review that decision, or you may request a rehearing. You must submit your request in writing no later than 10 days after the juvenile hearing officer announces his or her decision in the court.

Options:

- If you want the juvenile hearing officer to hear your case confidentially, explain this to the bailiff before you name is called.
- If you want to admit the violation(s), please tell the juvenile hearing officer that you will waive your right to a trial.
- If you want a formal petition files, tell the juvenile hearing officer when your name is called.
 Once the petition is filed your case will be set before a judge and you will be notify by mail of your trial date.

If you have proof that you have corrected an equipment violation, please have the documents ready to show the Court.

If you are here for driving without a valid California Driver License and now have one, please be ready to show it to the juvenile hearing officer when your name is called.

Be respectful of the court and others. Turn your cell phone off and remain quiet while others are speaking.