

TRAFFIC AND CRIMINAL INFORMATION

Q: Where do I Pay a traffic ticket?

All traffic cases are to be paid at Newberry County Central Traffic Court, located at 3239 Louis Rich Drive, Newberry, SC 29108.

Q: Can I pay a traffic ticket with a credit card?

Yes, you can pay with a credit card at the court or by phone at 803-321-2144.

Q: Can I get a jury trial in Magistrate Court?

Yes, you are legally entitled to a jury trial if you request one in writing before your trial.

Q. How may I get a criminal case dismissed?

Generally, once a warrant or courtesy summons is issued in Magistrate court, it cannot be recalled.

Q: Can the court recommend a lawyer?

Magistrate court is not permitted to give legal advice or to refer you to an attorney. For information on attorney referrals contact S.C. Lawyer Referral (800) 868-2284

Q: Can I act as my own attorney when filing a case?

Yes, you have the right to act as your own attorney.

Q: Will a 2 point violation increase my insurance premium?

A 2 point violation usually will not increase your insurance premium, but check with your insurance agent to make sure.

Q: How long will points stay on my driving record?

Points after one year old are cut in half, and after two years they will be wiped out completely. The violation will remain on your record for three years from the date SCDMV received the ticket (example: a 6 point ticket will remain 6 points for 1 year, it will be reduced to 3 points after 1 year and reduced to 0 points after 2 years)

Q: How does driver's school work?

You are eligible for Driving School every 3 years and you get 4 points taken off your driving record if you complete the course.

Note: *Going to driver's school and getting points back will usually not help lower your insurance premium, unless you are over 55 years old or under the age of 18.*