

**LIBERTY COUNTY COURT
TRAFFIC DIVISION
850-643-2215**

Liberty County Courthouse
PO Box 399
Bristol, FL 32321

Option Form

Florida law allows you 30 calendar days from the date you received your citation to select one of the following options:

___ **OPTION 1: PAY THE FINE IN FULL** – Points will be assessed against your license. You may not elect driver improvement school if you choose this option and pay the civil penalty. You may receive mail from driver improvement schools.

___ **OPTION 2: MAKE PARTIAL PAYMENTS** – Points will be assessed against your license but you will be allowed a 90 day extension in which to make your payments. A \$25.00 administrative fee is due at the time of enrollment and will not be applied to the assessed court costs and fines.

___ **OPTION 3: REQUEST A COURT APPEARANCE** – By selecting this option, you will be issued a court date and will waive your right to pay the civil penalty or attend driver improvement school. The court may impose a fine of up to \$500.00, require completion of a driver improvement course, or both.

___ **OPTION 4: ATTEND DRIVER IMPROVEMENT SCHOOL** – Payment in full is due at the time of the election and you will be given 60 days to file your school completion certificate with the Clerk. You must contact an approved traffic school of your choice in the state of Florida. Please visit www.flhsmv.gov for a list of approved courses and to determine your eligibility for this election. .

___ **OPTION 5: MAKE PARTIAL PAYMENTS AND ATTEND DRIVER IMPROVEMENT SCHOOL** – This option will allow a 90 day extension in which to make your payments and submit your school completion certificate. A \$25.00 administrative fee is due at the time of enrollment and will not be applied to the assessed costs and fines. **Failure to pay your citation in full and submit your school completion form within 90 days will result in a failed school assessment and adjudication of guilt.**

You may elect to attend Defensive Driving School under Florida Statute 318.14(9). This election requires you to pay the fine and court costs in full. You must submit your certificate of completion to the Clerk of the Court within 60 days of the school election. Upon receiving your certificate of completion, the Clerk will withhold adjudication of guilt and no points will be assessed against your driver's license. **This office cannot accept a proof of enrollment form as a certificate of completion.**

*If you fail to file your school completion form by the due date below, an **\$18.00** failed school penalty will be assessed and a suspension may be entered against your driver's license. Further, your case will be referred to a law firm for collection of the past due amounts. If we request suspension of your license for failure to comply with your payment plan or failing to complete school, an additional **\$23.00** processing fee will be added.*

TO BE ELIBIBLE FOR THE SCHOOL ELECTION:

1. **You must send \$7.00 affidavit fee to Liberty County Clerk of Court along with the completed Affidavit below.**
2. You must pay court costs and fines within 30 calendar days of the receipt of your citation.
3. Certificate of Completion must be submitted by (60 days) _____.
4. 365 days have passed since you last signed a Defensive Driving School Election Affidavit.
5. You have not elected this option more than five (5) times in your lifetime.
6. Out of County Citation: You must contact the Clerk of the Court in the county in which the citation was issued.