

Virginia Judicial System Court Self-Help

Resources for Self-Represented Litigants in Virginia

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Pay Your Traffic Ticket Online

Can I pay my ticket online without going to court?

Only if the offense is “prepayable” and the court accepts online payments.

If the summons you received indicates that the offense is “prepayable,” you may follow the instructions with the summons to pay your ticket without going to court. How soon you may use this prepayment option depends upon when the local court enters information regarding your case into the state database. Note: Most courts enter traffic ticket information within 10 business days.

If you "prepay," you will be found guilty and points may be added to your license. See the [DMV for more information about how a ticket impacts your license.](#)

If you pay online or in person with a credit/debit card, there is a 4% convenience fee assessed per transaction.

Contact [the court in the locality](#) where your case is pending for further information if:

1. the court where your case is pending does not accept prepayments online, or
2. the offense with which you are charged is not “prepayable,” or
3. the local court has not entered information about your case into the state database

How do I pay online?

Before you follow the links and pay your ticket online, you may find it helpful to [preview sample payment slides.](#)

Once you are at the payment website and are ready to begin the payment process, you will need to [select two things from the left hand column to find the court record for your ticket:](#)

1. The local court (as listed on your summons) from the drop-down menu in the left column.
2. Use the *name search*, and enter your name EXACTLY as the officer wrote it on the

Summons -- even if that means not spelling your name correctly.

While your e-mail address is not required, if entered, a receipt will be e-mailed to you. Be sure to print the final screen as a record of proof of payment. It can take up to two business days for a payment to be reflected in the online records.

Pay online through the Virginia District Court Online Case Information System

What if I lost my summons?

If you have lost your summons, you can call the local court in the area you were stopped. See [this map of Virginia](#) if you are unsure of the name of the county. Or you can contact the law enforcement agency that issued the citation, which will be either the Virginia State Police or a local law enforcement agency.

 [Sample Traffic Ticket payment slides](#)

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