

DEFERRED PROSECUTION PROGRAM SPEEDING CITATION

If you have received a speeding ticket, and have a standard operator's license, you may be eligible for a deferred prosecution agreement (DPA). This agreement could allow you to avoid a conviction on your driving record.

HOW A TRAFFIC DEFERRAL WORKS

With a DPA, you **do not** pay the speeding ticket, but instead you pay a more expensive deferral fee.

We then withhold sending a conviction to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) for 12 months. If you have **no other** moving violations during that 12 month period, the ticket will then be dismissed, and a conviction will not be sent to the BMV.

However, if you do receive another moving violation within the 12 months, a notice will be sent to the Court. You could be ordered to pay the original speeding ticket, and a notice of a conviction will be sent to the BMV.

WHO WILL NOT QUALIFY FOR A DPA

1. If your **actual** speed was more than 15 miles per hour over the speed limit.
2. Anyone with a Commercial Driver's License (**CDL**).
3. If you have received a speeding ticket during a 1 year period prior to your current ticket.
4. If you received a second violation with your speeding ticket. (The only violation that might still qualify you for a deferral is a seatbelt violation. All others make you ineligible.)
5. If your ticket was issued in a workzone, with or without workers.
6. Juveniles---**under 18 years of age**. Superior Court II offers a program for juvenile offenders. Please contact them at (812) 379-1610.

HOW TO APPLY FOR A TRAFFIC DPA

Send a **copy** of your driver's license, and your ticket, along with a letter including your current address and make a request for a deferral to:

**Traffic Deferral Program
Prosecutor's Office
234 Washington Street
Columbus, IN 47201**

You will be notified if you qualify-or do not qualify-by U.S. Mail

NOTE: The date at the bottom of your ticket is when: 1. Your ticket must be paid, or 2. Your DPA must be filed with the Court, or 3. You must request a Court date. To request a Court date, or an extension on your payment date, please contact Superior Court II-Traffic at (812) 379-1610.