

GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR LIMITED/OCCUPATIONAL DRIVING RIGHTS

The following information contains the general conditions and guidelines relating to limited and/or occupational driving rights granted subject to the rules of the Washington Court House Municipal Court. They are subject to change at the discretion of the Judge. All applicants must complete a petition for limited/occupational driving rights as provided by the Court.

(A) Checklist for driving privileges.

1. All court costs must be paid in full on the case your license was suspended on and any other charges you received at that time.
2. Monthly payments on fines must be current or your license will be suspended and your driving privileges will be void.
3. A high risk bond or insurance must be in force and on file with the Ohio BMV if your license has been suspended for a conviction of any of the following: leaving the scene, 2nd conviction of DWI/DUI within six years, fleeing, or drag racing.
4. Failure to provide proof of insurance for the date of the violation, will result in a high-risk filing requirement with the Ohio BMV for five years and proof of payment of any reinstatement fees due to the State of Ohio.
5. Family license plates will be required if you have been convicted of a second offense DWI/DUI within six years or a third conviction within your lifetime. An exception can be made if the defendant operates a non-family titled employer's vehicle for employment.
6. All reinstatement fees to the State of Ohio must be paid.
7. Proof of employment on your employer's letterhead must be provided with your days and hours of work. If self-employed, tax records from prior years or some other proof acceptable to the Court must be shown.
8. Proof of insurance indicating how long your insurance is actually paid through will be required on a form provided by the Court. A policy period is unacceptable.
9. You must request a modification order to allow you to renew your operator's license if it is expired or if it will expire during the period of your license suspension.
10. Driving privileges will be issued and renewed on days and times established by the Court upon payment of a fee.
11. Contact should be made with the Court one day prior to picking up the permit.

(B) Rules of Court for limited/occupational driving rights.

1. You must carry a complete copy (all 5 pages) of your permit while operating a motor vehicle during the period of your license suspension.
2. You are not permitted to stop in your travel from your residence to your employment or other locations, unless specifically granted, for any purpose.
3. All occupational driving permits are given for an express purpose. If you stop at any bars, grocery stores, or any place not specifically ordered by the Court, this permit is void.
4. If you operate a vehicle for other than occupational purposes, in violation of any condition imposed by the Court, or without having your permit in your possession, you will be guilty of a violation of Section 4507.02 of the Revised Code.
5. By accepting these driving rights, you consent to be stopped by any law enforcement officer at any time for the purpose of ascertaining that you are operating the vehicle within the scope of your driving permit.
6. If you are under a license suspension from another Court, you must also obtain and have in your possession driving rights from that Court or this permit is void. If your license is expired or otherwise under suspension by the State of Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles under which you have no right to drive, this permit is void.
7. If you fail to maintain proof of financial responsibility insurance pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4509, this permit is void.
8. This permit is void if you have any alcohol and/or drugs of abuse in your body system while operating a motor vehicle. If requested by any law enforcement officer to take a chemical test for alcohol and/or drugs of abuse, you are required to consent to the test or forfeit this permit to the officer and the officer is directed to forward it to this Court.
9. If you are in the service industry, you must confirm all service calls with customers before leaving your residence or place of business. If you are in the farming industry, you must be able to prove, if stopped by an officer, that driving your vehicle was farm-related and necessary. If employed in a factory or other type of business, you must be able to prove, if stopped by an officer, that you are driving from your residence to and/or from work or that you are otherwise operating within the scope of your driving rights.
10. If you have been required by the Court to obtain family license plates during the period of your suspension, you may only operate one vehicle registered in your name which displays said family license plate and this permit is void if you operate any other vehicle, except a non-family owned employer vehicle operated in the course of your employment.