

JUDGE'S STAND ORDER NO. 10
DISMISSAL OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY VIOLATIONS

IT IS ORDERED that any time prior to the initial appearance date on the citation, or Court Hearing Notice, that includes the violation Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility, a Court Clerk may accept proof of the financial responsibility for dismissal **IF** it complies with the following requirements for acceptable proof:

1. Any typewritten, company generated "Owner's Policy" of insurance coverage in effect for the day and time the citation was issued.
2. Proof must contain the following;
 - a. Name of Defendant or;
 - b. Make and model, license plate or VIN of the vehicle in question, the Defendant was driving (if defendant is not listed as a driver the policy must provide coverage for any person driving vehicle);
 - c. Minimum liability coverage that meets State of Texas requirements

Fleet policies may be accepted by a Court Clerk for dismissal if the Defendant presents valid proof consistent with the criteria above and proof of authorization to drive the covered vehicle.

All documents presented to the Court as proof of Financial Responsibility shall be submitted for verification prior to dismissal, unless otherwise directed by the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a Court Clerk shall set any case regarding the sufficiency or validity of proof of financial responsibility for hearing before the Court.

If a Defendant presents acceptable proof for a case for which a warrant has been issued, a Court Clerk shall attempt immediately to verify proof. **IT IS ORDERED** that if a Court Clerk CANNOT verify financial responsibility for the Defendant or vehicle on the date of the citation was, the Defendant shall be required to choose alternative methods to satisfy the citation.

All prior standing orders in conflict with this order are hereby withdrawn and are of no further effect.

SIGNED AND ENTERED on this the 16TH day of OCTOBER 2023.





William B. Kingman
Presiding Judge

City of Terrell Hills Municipal Court