

LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES INFORMATION SHEET

If you have a non-compliance or 12-point suspension and you meet all the requirements, you may request limited driving privileges from the Court to drive to and from work and for family necessities.

(See R.C. 4509.101(A) and R.C. 4510.037 for more information on each of these suspensions)



DO I QUALIFY?

The BMV can help you know whether you qualify. You can chat with the BMV online at www.bmv.ohio.gov. You can find a list of all the issues with your license on your BMV Online profile or on a BMV 2006 form. You also may consult with an attorney.

Before you file a petition for limited driving privileges you must meet the following requirements:

1. Resolve any other suspensions or revocations under any other law (for example: license forfeiture, judgment/security suspensions, warrant blocks, violator compact suspension, or a court suspension).
2. If your license was suspended by a Judge in Franklin County Municipal Court for failing to show insurance at the time of the offense, you need to see that Judge for privileges.
3. Obtain SR-22 insurance and make sure it is on file with the BMV.
4. Complete any requirements to test, retest, or renew your license.
5. If you have a 12-point suspension, you need to take a remedial driving course and retest.



FILE YOUR PETITION WITH THE CLERK OF COURTS

You must file your application with the Clerk of Courts on the 3rd floor. The Clerk's hours are Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. **The filing fee is \$111.00 (cash or credit card).**

You will be mailed a court date and an order to renew/test if you need it.

If you need to test/renew/retest for your license, the Clerk of Courts will send you an order in the mail to take to the BMV to take your tests. If you can't get your test done prior to your court date, call the clerk at (614) 645-7220 or request a continuance at franklincountymunicourt.org/LDPcontinuance. You can also check the surrounding counties, Licking, Fairfield, Delaware, and Pickaway to see if you can get your test done sooner. If you don't request a continuance, there is a possibility your case may be dismissed.



ATTEND YOUR COURT DATE

Privileges hearings are held on Mondays at 1:30 pm in Courtroom 10A on the 10th floor. The Court will have checked with the BMV to see if you are eligible for privileges. If you are not, you will be informed what you still need to do before you can receive privileges and your case will be rescheduled to give you time to complete all tasks.

If you cannot attend your court date, you can request a new date online at franklincountymunicourt.org/LDPcontinuance



WHEN GRANTED PRIVILEGES

If you receive privileges, always carry the paperwork with you. Get a notebook and keep it in the front seat of the car. If you work at a place that gives you a weekly schedule, copy it and put it in your notebook. If you are going anywhere allowed by your privileges, write it in your notebook. If you are pulled over, show the officer your driving privileges and your notebook. It is your responsibility to show the officer you are allowed to be driving.

If you owe fees to the BMV, the court will put you on a payment plan to pay the BMV \$50.00 a month. The BMV can give you information about when and how to make your payments.



HELPFUL TERMS

The following terms may appear on your BMV paperwork or somewhere in the Court. They may be important to know when you apply for limited driving privileges.

License Forfeiture – you have an unpaid fine or failed to appear for a court date in a court in the State of Ohio. The BMV 2006 form should have the court, the court's number and case number. Call the court to figure out what you need to do to get that lifted.

Warrant Block – you need to go to court in a court in the State of Ohio. The BMV 2006 form will have the court, the court's number and the case number. Call the court to figure out what you need to do to get that lifted.

Court suspensions – a judge or magistrate suspended your license for a specific period. You must obtain privileges from that judge.

ALS suspension (Administrative License suspension) – your license was suspended because you were stopped for an OVI. You need to obtain privileges from the judge assigned to your case or the duty judge if your case is unassigned.

Judgment Suspension – your license is suspended indefinitely due to an accident. The BMV 2006 form will list the date of the accident, the amount of money sought, the law firm or insurance company that filed to have your license suspended with their contact information and usually a file or claim number. You should speak with an attorney to find out what your options are to get this resolved.

Security Suspension: Similar to a judgment suspension, but it is for a 2-year period of time. It will list the date of the accident, the amount of money sought, the law firm or insurance company that filed to have your license suspended with their contact information and usually a file or claim number. You should speak with an attorney to find out what your options are to get this resolved.

Violator Compact Suspension: This is an unpaid ticket or missed court appearance from another state. The BMV 2006 form usually lists the court, their number and the case number or identifier.

Child Support – Child support enforcement has suspended your license for non-payment of child support. The BMV 2006 form will list the date the request was filed, the agency and their number. Call the number to set up payment arrangement or any other questions regarding this suspension.

Non-Compliance Suspension – your license is suspended because you failed to show that you were insured on the date that you were stopped. The length of the suspension is listed on the BMV 2006. You are required to have and maintain SR-22 insurance for the time also listed on the form. The date of the offense for which you did not show insurance is also listed. If you can show insurance for that date and time, provide that to the BMV and they will remove the suspension and fees associated with it.

12 Point suspension – your license is suspended because you have accumulated 12 points or more in a two-year period of time. You are also required to have SR-22 insurance on file with the BMV. You will also be required to take a remedial driving course and to retest for your license, prior to being granted any driving privileges.