



*Office of Paula S. O'Neil
Clerk & Comptroller
Pasco County, Florida*

Plea of No Contest and Request for Withhold of Adjudication

Instructions:

A Plea of No Contest allows you to ask the court to withhold an adjudication of guilt without having to go to court. The judge will determine whether to grant or deny your plea, absent a court hearing. If you choose to file a Plea of No Contest, you agree to waive your right to a speedy trial. In addition, you will still be required to pay the civil penalty and may be ordered to attend defensive driving school or the Advanced Driving Institute.

You must pay \$17.74 at the time of filing the Plea of No Contest. This fee covers the cost for a driver's license history and postage to return your disposition. If the fee is not submitted with your plea, no action shall be taken and you may be subject to the imposition of a delinquency fee and your driver's license may be suspended.

When filling out the Plea of No Contest and Request for Withhold of Adjudication form, you must select one of the following options, in the event the court denies your plea:

- Pay the civil penalty (within 30 days from the date of the court's ruling)
- Elect defensive driving school (if eligible)
- Plead not guilty (a hearing will be scheduled)

To determine your eligibility to attend defensive driving school, check the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles' website at <http://www.flhsmv.gov>.

If the court grants your Plea of No Contest, no points will be assessed to your driver's license. You must pay the civil penalty within 30 days from the date of the court's ruling. If you wish to file a Plea of No Contest, complete the Plea of No Contest and Request to Withhold Adjudication Form and mail it along with a check or money order made payable to Paula S. O'Neil in the amount of \$17.74 to the appropriate Traffic Department address listed below.

DADE CITY	NEW PORT RICHEY
<p style="text-align: center;"> Paula S. O'Neil Clerk and Comptroller 38053 Live Oak Avenue Suite 112 Dade City, FL 33523-3894 (352) 523-2411 Ext. 2205 8:30am-5:00pm Monday-Friday </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Paula S. O'Neil Clerk and Comptroller Mailing Address P.O. Box 338 New Port Richey, FL 34656-0338 Physical Location: 7530 Little Road Suite 101 New Port Richey, FL 34654 (727) 847-2411 Ext. 2205 8:30am-5:00pm Monday-Friday </p>

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR PASCO COUNTY

State of Florida

Citation Number

Vs.

PLEA OF NO CONTEST AND REQUEST FOR WITHHOLD OF ADJUDICATION

I, _____, do hereby plea No Contest to the above referenced citation and ask the Court to Withhold Adjudication. I understand that I will be assessed a civil penalty and may be ordered to attend either Defensive Driving School or the Advanced Driving Institute. By making this request, I am waiving my right to speedy trial.

Should the Court deny my request for a Withhold of Adjudication, I request the following (circle one):

1. Withdraw my No Contest Plea, plead Not Guilty and set an Infraction Hearing
2. I am eligible and elect to attend Defensive Driving School*
3. Wish to pay the citation and request 30 days to do so

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____.

A fee of \$17.74 must be included with the return of this form. This fee covers the cost of the driver history printout and postage to return your disposition. If the fee is not returned, no action shall be taken and you may be subject to the imposition of a delinquency fee resulting in the suspension of your driver's license.

*Please visit <http://www.flhsmv.gov> to check eligibility. I understand that if I fail to complete any requirement of this election or I am ineligible for this election I will be guilty of the offense and my driver's record will be changed to show a conviction of this offense. Also, points will be assessed against my driver's license and additional fines, costs and fees will be due.

Defendant's Signature

Address

Daytime Telephone Number

City, State, Zip Code

FOR COURT USE ONLY IF MOTION DENIED:

() Motion for withhold denied.

Further, the court finds:

- () Case to be set for final hearing.
- () Election for Defensive Driving School is granted. You must pay \$_____ within 30 days and submit your certificate of completion to the Traffic Department within 60 days.
- () Pay civil penalty of \$_____ within 30 days.

Done and ordered this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Presiding Judge