

Traffic

Option 1- ATTEND DEFENSIVE DRIVING SCHOOL

Attending defensive driving school provides the opportunity to have one eligible charge (see page 6) dismissed without: going to court; points assessed for that charge; negative impact on your insurance; and paying a fine for that charge. If you receive an extension for attending school, that extension is only for the eligible charge. You must appear in court or pay the fine(s) for any additional charge(s) on your citation on or within ten days of your appearance date; otherwise, your license may be suspended.

You are eligible to attend a defensive driving class if you meet **all of the following requirements**:

1. You have not attended a Defensive Driving Class in Arizona for dismissal of a traffic charge within the past 24 months.
2. Your traffic charge did not result from an accident involving death or serious physical injury.
3. Your traffic charge has not already been set to a hearing.
4. You are not a commercial driver license holder **OR A DRIVER OF A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE THAT REQUIRES A COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE** is not eligible for the defensive driving diversion program. (A.R.S. §28-3392).

WHAT TO DO:

1. If you wish to attend a class; in Arizona, in another state, or via online you may do so by contacting one of the state certified schools in Arizona.

2. To find a certified school either:

- Visit <http://www.azcourts.gov/driveschoolinfo>

and look for Defensive Driving School Entry Point and locate Yuma County for Yuma Municipal Court.

- Call the Defensive Driving School information line at: **1-888-334-5565** (automated response only).

3. You must complete the online program or attend a class at least **7 days before your court date**, which is above your signature on the complaint.

4. Once registered, if you find you need more time to complete the class, the school or the court can grant a **one time**, 30 day extension.

Failure to complete the defensive driving class may result in the entry of a default judgment, and/or your driver license suspension, and additional monetary penalties.

A.R.S. 28-645A Red Light Violations. Persons found responsible or entering a plea of responsible for red-light traffic control signal violations, including flashing stop signals, will be ordered by the Motor Vehicle Division to attend and successfully complete Traffic Survival School or suffer suspension of driving privileges.