

HARRISONBURG/ROCKINGHAM GENERAL DISTRICT COURT PAYMENT

AGREEMENT FOR THE COLLECTION OF FINE AND COSTS

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

Any defendant who is unable to pay the full fines and costs for a particular offense within 30 days of conviction, or other disposition authorized by law, will be offered an alternate payment agreement as outlined under Rule 1:24 and consistent with 19.2-354, 19.2-354.1 of the code of Virginia.

If the defendant is unable to make full payment within ninety (90) days of sentencing, a one-time fee of \$10.00 to cover the costs of management of the defendants account until such account is paid in full will be assessed on each payment agreement over ninety (90) days.

When entering into a payment agreement after initial default, a down payment will be required as detailed below:

Amount owed is \$500.00 or less— down payment of 10% of the total amount owed.

Amount owed is \$501.00 or more—down payment of 5% of the amount owed or \$50.00, whichever is greater.

A defendant who has subsequently defaulted on an already established payment agreement has the opportunity to request a new payment agreement. A down payment on the amount due will be required as outlined above.

At any time during the duration of a payment plan, the defendant may request a modification of the plan, which shall be granted based on a good faith showing of need. When taking into account the defendants financial obligations, if the defendant wishes to include fines and costs owed in other courts, a compliance summary from the Department of Motor Vehicles will be required.

Community service work may be used as an option to defray fines and costs, when the defendant is unable to make meaningful payments. Community service shall not be credited against any amount owed as restitution, the interest which has accrued on restitution, and any collection fee required.

It is the defendants responsibility to make sure a new payment agreement is perfected before the current one defaults. The defendant must promptly notify the court of any change of address during the duration of the payment agreement.