

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court

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FINES/COSTS PAYMENT POLICY - EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Pursuant to § 19.2-354.1 of The Code of Virginia

Fines/Costs are due within 90 days of the final hearing/judgement

Should an individual need an extension beyond 90 days, the Court will offer a time to pay agreement under the following guidelines:

- 1. A one (1) time TEN Dollar (\$10.00) fee will be assessed
- 2. Payment due date will be deferred for a period of six (6) months

Should an individual need an extension beyond their first payment agreement, the Court will offer a subsequent payment agreement under the following guidelines:

- 1. A down payment will be required as follows:
 - a. Ten (10%) percent of outstanding balance if balance is less than \$500.00
 - b. Five (5%) percent or \$50.00 (whichever is greater) of outstanding balance if balance is more than \$500.00

Should an individual become in default of their second payment agreement, Form DC-211 may be filed with the Court requesting an additional payment agreement. Said request will be referred to the Judge for consideration.

NOTICE:

- 1. Payment methods accepted Cash, Check, Money Order, *Debit/Credit Card *4% convenience fee added if paying with Card
- 2. You must notify the Court of any change of address
- 3. Unpaid accounts will be pursued through Court Debt Collection
- 4. A collection fee will be added to unpaid accounts
- Pursuant to Virginia Code §19.2-354.C, community service shall be permitted if requested in lieu of fines and costs. Amount owed divided by current minimum wage amount determines the hours of community service. A motion would need to be filed with the Court for such request. Community service shall not be granted on any amount owed for restitution.
- 6. Should your SOLE financial resource be from Social Security benefits or Supplemental Security Income, then you are not required to pay until you have another resource or income. As long as your sole income remains unchanged, your account will not go to collections. Please understand that any RESTITUTION you may have been ordered to pay is NOT included in this exemption of payment and is due as the court has ordered.