

## Dispositions Checklist for Minors in Informal and Juvenile Traffic Court

If a minor admits committing or is found to have committed the charged offense, you may make one or more of the following dispositions:

- Reprimand.** Reprimand the minor and take no further action. [WIC §258(a)(1).]
- Fine and penalty assessment.** Impose a fine and penalty assessment in addition to or in place of any of the orders below. You may waive all or any portion of the fine if the minor is unable to pay. In determining the minor's ability to pay, you may not consider the ability of the minor's family to pay. The amount of the fine is the same as an adult might be ordered to pay for the same offense unless the offense is one of those specified in WIC §258, for which the maximum fine is \$250. [See WIC §258(a)(3).]
- Restitution.** Order the minor to pay restitution to the victim in place of all or a portion of the fine. The total dollar amount of the fine, restitution, and any program fees ordered may not exceed the maximum fine and penalty that may be imposed under WIC §258(a)(3). [WIC §258(a)(4).]
- Traffic school.** Order the minor to complete traffic violator school within 60 days of your order. [WIC §258(a)(6).]
- Proof of correction.** Order the minor to provide satisfactory evidence that a vehicle in an unsafe mechanical condition or not equipped as required has been corrected to conform to the requirements of the Vehicle Code, if the charged offense was an equipment violation. [WIC §258(a)(7).]
- Community service.** Order the minor to perform community service in a public entity or private nonprofit entity for up to 50 hours over a period of 60 days, other than when the minor's is attending school or working. The service may not exceed 30 hours during any 30-day period. These time frames may not be modified except in unusual cases when the interest of justice would best be served. When the order is made by a referee or traffic hearing officer, it must be approved by a juvenile court judge. [WIC §258(a)(8).]
- Withholding, suspension, or revocation of license.** Withhold, suspend, or revoke the minor's driver license for up to 30 days, unless the Vehicle Code permits or mandates a suspension for a longer period. [WIC §258(a)(5).]
- Counseling or treatment.** In the case of a misdemeanor, order that the minor complete a counseling or education program (or, if the offense involved a controlled substance law, a drug treatment program) if one is available. Any fees for participation are subject to a hearing on the minor's ability to pay. The sum of the fees plus any fine or restitution order may not exceed the maximum amount that may be ordered under WIC §258(a)(3). [WIC §258(a)(9).]
- School attendance.** Require that the minor attend a school program with no unexcused absences. [WIC §258(a)(10).]
- Curfew.** If the offense is a misdemeanor committed between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., require that the minor be at his or her legal residence between certain hours specified by the hearing officer—except in a medical or other emergency—unless the minor is accompanied by his or her parent or guardian or another person in charge of the minor. The maximum length of this order is 6 months. [WIC §258(a)(11).]
- Supervision.** Order the minor to submit to supervision by a probation officer for up to 6 months in addition to or in place of one of the orders listed above. [WIC §258(a)(2).]