

COMPLIANCE DISMISSALS
Updated to Reflect Changes from the 86th Legislature

Offense	Statute	Mandatory or Discretionary Dismissal	Length of Time to Comply	Required Conditions	Amount of Fees or Fines
Expired license plate	Section 502.407(b), Transportation Code	Court may dismiss	20 working days after the date of the offense or before the defendant's first court appearance, whichever is later	Defendant must remedy the defect; and Show proof of payment of late registration fee to county assessor-collector	Fine optional Not to exceed \$20
Operate vehicle without valid registration insignia properly displayed	Section 502.473(d), Transportation Code	Court may dismiss	Before defendant's first court appearance	Defendant must: Remedy the defect; or Show that vehicle was issued a registration insignia that was attached to the vehicle establishing that the vehicle was registered for the period during which the offense was committed	Fine required Not to exceed \$10
Attaching or displaying on a vehicle a registration insignia that is assigned for a period other than in effect	Section 502.475(c), Transportation Code	Court may dismiss	Before defendant's first court appearance	Defendant must remedy the defect	Fine required Not to exceed \$10
Operate vehicle without two valid license plates	Section 504.943(d), Transportation Code	Court may dismiss	Before the defendant's first court appearance	Defendant must remedy the defect	Fine required Not to exceed \$10
Attaching or displaying on a vehicle a license plate that is assigned for a period other than in effect, or has a blurring, reflective, coating, covering, or protective matter or attached illuminated device, sticker, decal, or emblem that obscures, impairs, or interferes with the plate's readability	Section 504.945(d), Transportation Code	Court may dismiss	Before the defendant's first court appearance	Defendant must: Remedy the defect; and Show that vehicle was issued a plate that was attached to the vehicle establishing that the vehicle was registered for the period during which the offense was committed	Fine required Not to exceed \$10
Expired driver's license	Section 521.026(a), Transportation Code	Court may dismiss	20 working days after the date of the offense or before the defendant's first court appearance, whichever is later	Defendant must remedy the defect	Fine optional Not to exceed \$20
Fail to report change of address or name on driver's license	Section 521.054(d), Transportation Code	Court may dismiss	20 working days after the date of the offense	Defendant must remedy the defect	Fine required Not to exceed \$20. Court may waive in interest of justice.
Violate driver's license restriction or endorsement	Section 521.221(d), Transportation Code	Court may dismiss	Before the defendant's first court appearance	Defendant must show that: Driver's license restriction or endorsement was imposed because of a physical condition that was surgically or otherwise medically corrected before the date of the offense, or in error and that is established by the defendant; and DPS removes the restriction or endorsement before the defendant's first court appearance	Fine required Not to exceed \$10
Operate vehicle with defective required equipment (or in unsafe condition)	Section 547.004(c), Transportation Code	Court may dismiss	Before the defendant's first court appearance	Defendant must remedy the defect Does not apply if the offense involves a commercial motor vehicle	Fine required Not to exceed \$10
Expired Inspection *Repealed as of 3/1/15, but still applies to citations issued before that date	Section 548.605, Transportation Code	Court shall dismiss if expired not more than 60 days Court may dismiss if expired more than 60 days	20 working days after the date of the offense or before the defendant's first court appearance, whichever is later	Defendant must remedy the defect	Fee required Not to exceed \$20
Operating a vehicle without complying with inspection requirements as certified (vehicle was located in another state at the time the applicant applied for registration or renewal, Section 548.256(b) of the Transportation Code) *Effective 1/1/16	Section 548.605(e), Transportation Code	Court shall dismiss	Not later than the 20th working day after the date of the citation or before the defendant's first court appearance, whichever is later and Not later than the 40th working day after the applicable deadline regarding inspection	Defendant must remedy the defect	Fine required Not to exceed \$20

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Expired disabled parking placard	Section 681.013, Transportation Code	Court shall dismiss if expired not more than 60 days Court may dismiss if expired more than 60 days	20 working days after the date of the offense or before the defendant's first court appearance, whichever is later	Defendant must remedy the defect	Fine required Not to exceed \$20
Operate vessel with expired certificate of number	Section 31.127(f), Parks & Wildlife Code	Court may dismiss	10 working days after the date of the offense	Defendant must remedy the defect Certificate cannot be expired more than 60 days	Fine required Not to exceed \$10