

CHAPTER 9 - TRAFFIC COURT

9.00 Trial by Declaration.

(A) Pursuant to Vehicle Code section 40902, trial by written declaration shall be permitted for any citation for an infraction, except one that involves an accident or requires an appearance, or for which the defendant has failed to appear. The defendant must post bail in the amount established by the court pursuant to Vehicle Code section 40310.

(B) Trial by declaration shall be permitted for any citation issued by an automated enforcement system, except where identification of the driver is being contested. The defendant must complete a Red Light Camera Statement Regarding Identification indicating that, for the purpose of a trial by declaration only, they are not contesting the allegation that they were the driver of the vehicle pictured in the automated enforcement photograph.

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9.01 Ability-to-Pay Determinations.

(A) The clerk of the court is authorized to make ability-to-pay determinations based on specified criteria established by the court as set forth in Government Code 68645.3.

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