

MY LICENSE PLATE WAS CONFISCATED WHAT NEXT?

By Oklahoma State Law, any individual who is found to be driving without valid insurance coverage may have their license plate confiscated OR their car impounded.

The Village is holding your license plate on behalf of the state, but cannot release your plate to you until:

A.) You take care of your Village Municipal Court No Insurance Citation.

If you pay the ticket or set it on a payment plan with our Municipal Court Office without first seeing the judge, it will go on your driving record. See below for more information.

B.) You pay all additional state-owed fees for the release of your license plate.

This can be anywhere from \$0-\$245, based on when you had insurance coverage.

I had valid insurance, I just didn't have it with me.

If your insurance was valid at the time of the stop, we can dismiss your citation without cost.

To prove this, you must provide your insurance verification card showing coverage on the day of the stop or before. (We will have to call your insurance company to make sure there wasn't a lapse in coverage, so keep that in mind.)

If you show us that proof within two business days of the stop, we are also allowed to release your license plate to you without cost. If it's been over two business days, you will owe the state a \$125 administration fee that we must collect before releasing your plate to you.

I didn't have insurance during the stop, but I do now.

The first thing you need to know is that by state law, a No Insurance violation that goes on your record is an **automatic license suspension**.

If you would like to keep your ticket off your driving record, you will need to speak with the Judge on your court date. Our Judge will typically try to work with you on keeping this off your record if you can prove you got insurance within 30 days of the stop.

We understand that the temporary tag given to you by the officer is only valid for ten days, and your court date doesn't come until after that.

If you can post a \$170 cash bond on your No Insurance citation, that will hold your court date, and we can proceed to collecting the additional state fees owed/releasing your license plate. **This means you can get your plate back TODAY and still speak with the Judge on your court date.**

If you post a bond and do not appear on your court date, your bond will be forfeited and we will have to report the No Insurance charge.

If you are unable to post the \$170 bond, you can request for your court date to be changed. Speak with one of our office clerks about available dates.

It wasn't my car.

Unfortunately, since you were the driver, this violation could still go on YOUR driving record and suspend YOUR license. You can request that the Judge keep this charge off of your driving record on your court date.

If you have insurance on your own vehicle, you may think about bringing that proof in for court.