

Court Appearance Information for San Bernardino Superior Court – Joshua Tree District

Traffic/Misdemeanors

The San Bernardino Superior Court now offers **Reserve a Court Date** in place of the same day walk-in hearings for **Traffic, Non Traffic Infractions and Misdemeanor Sentence Modifications**.

- Traffic and Non Traffic Infractions (Reserve a Court Date is available on-line, by Kiosk, in person or by telephone.
- Misdemeanor Sentence Modification (Reserve a Court Date is available in person or by telephone only).

The Joshua Tree District schedules Traffic and Non Traffic Infraction matters for Monday through Thursday at 8:30 am. Spanish interpreters are not available every day of the week in the Joshua Tree District. Cases needing a Spanish interpreter *may* be set on Fridays, but you must contact the clerk's office to make those arrangements.

Infractions (Traffic and Non-Traffic)

Most infractions do not require a court appearance and may be handled prior to the appearance date indicated on the citation. You may pay the bail amount, sign up for traffic school or request an extension through the automated phone system, internet or by mail. If you were cited for an infraction which requires a mandatory appearance, **you must reserve a court date** on or before the date indicated on your citation, letter, or any other notice to appear. A warrant for your arrest may be issued if you fail to appear on the date indicated, and/or a Failure to Appear hold may be reported to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

For Reserved Hearings: please check the electronic calendars for your name and report directly to the courtroom. **Do not wait in line if your name is shown on the electronic calendar.** If your name is not on the calendar, please check with a clerk at the criminal/traffic windows.

Kiosk

Kiosks are currently located at the Fontana, Rancho Cucamonga and Victorville Districts for your convenience. The Kiosks are available to pay citations in full, make a payment, request an extension, reserve a court date for infraction matters or sign up for traffic school. The Kiosk does not accept cash, you must pay with a credit or debit card.

Night Court

Night Court services will no longer be provided after March 1, 2013.

Felony /Misdemeanor First Time Appearances

These cases require a mandatory appearance. You must appear on the date indicated on your citation, letter, or any other notice to appear. A warrant for your arrest may be issued if you fail to appear on the date indicated. Please check the electronic calendars for your name and report directly to the courtroom. **Do not wait in line if your name is shown on the electronic calendar.**

If your name is not on the calendar, please check with a clerk at the criminal/traffic windows.

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Warrants

If you have a felony case with an outstanding warrant, you may walk in to see a judge. Check in with a clerk at the Criminal/Traffic windows. Walk in appearances are Monday through Thursday, with check in beginning at 8:00 am and ending at 8:30 am.

Misdemeanor cases with an outstanding warrant are heard Monday through Thursday at 8:30 a.m. You must schedule a court date in advance either by coming into the court and scheduling with a clerk or by calling on the telephone to schedule. **NOTE: The warrant will remain outstanding until you appear on the court date and are seen by a judge.**

Felony Modifications

Walk in court appearances are not offered for felony modification requests. A Request to Calendar must be completed at the Clerks' Office at least five days prior to the requested date. Felony modification requests are heard only on Fridays. If you are on Supervised Probation, see your Probation officer or attorney to set a hearing.