

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

IN THE MATTER OF A UNIFORM BOND	)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
SCHEDULE FOR MARICOPA COUNTY	)	NO. 2015-002
LIMITED JURISDICTION COURTS	)	
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Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order 2008-059 requires the Presiding Judge of Superior Court in Maricopa County to coordinate with justices of the peace and the presiding municipal court judges to maintain a countywide bond schedule and submit proposed changes to the Presiding Judge of Superior Court if revisions are necessary.

In late 2008, municipal and justice court presiding judges recommended that an administrative order be issued including revisions that would reflect both increased fines as well as increased surcharges and Administrative Order No. 2009-061 was issued. It has been approximately five (5) years since Administrative Order No. 2009-061 was issued and revisions that reflect increased fines as well as increased surcharges are required.

Based on this recommendation and in the interest of the administration of justice in Maricopa County a Uniform Bond Schedule, Presumptive Sanctions for Civil Traffic continues to be established.

Accordingly,

**IT IS ORDERED** adopting the attached Uniform Bond Schedule, Presumptive Sanctions for Civil Traffic document and directing all municipal court judges and all justices of the peace in Maricopa County to implement and adhere to the same beginning January 6, 2015.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that each Municipal Court Presiding Judge and each Justice of the Peace shall present to the Presiding Judge of Superior Court in Maricopa County, no later than February 1, 2015, documentation as to the bond amounts and presumptive sanctions for civil traffic which will be applicable for their court. This may include a copy of the bond card, a link to the court's webpage which contained bond information, or other documentation.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Presiding Judge of each Municipal Court in Maricopa County and the Maricopa County Presiding Justice of the Peace shall review this order on a regular basis and recommend revision if necessary. Regular basis is defined as every five (5) years or less.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** this Administrative Order supersedes Administrative Order No. 2009-061.

Dated this 5th day of January, 2015.

/s/ Norman J. Davis

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Norman J. Davis  
Presiding Judge

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

Copies: Hon. Scott Bales, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Arizona  
Maricopa County Justices of the Peace  
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**UNIFORM BOND SCHEDULE  
PRESUMPTIVE SANCTIONS FOR CIVIL TRAFFIC**

**1. STATEMENT OF INTENT**

- a. Presiding judges of municipal and justice courts within Maricopa County retain authority within their courts to set fine amounts for civil traffic offenses. This statement is not intended to limit or extend that authority.
- b. Nevertheless, presiding judges of municipal and justice courts within Maricopa County also recognize that public perception of the justice system and, more specifically the courts, can be enhanced by ensuring greater consistency in the setting of bond amounts for the same or similar criminal offenses and in the imposition of sanctions for civil traffic offenses by the municipal and justice courts within Maricopa County.
- c. In the absence of local community concerns which may justify alternative fines, presiding judges of municipal and justice courts within Maricopa County agree to voluntarily structure bonds and civil traffic sanctions to conform to this schedule, effective January 1, 2015.
- d. This schedule shall be reviewed on a regular basis to determine if there should be any recommended changes.

**2. UNIFORM BOND SCHEDULE – CRIMINAL OFFENSES**

Class 1 Misdemeanors . . . . .	\$500.00
Class 2 Misdemeanors . . . . .	\$350.00
Class 3 Misdemeanors . . . . .	\$150.00

This is a presumptive bail amount for defendants who are booked into jail and desire to post bond to obtain a release prior to appearing before a judge. It is recognized that judges in individual cases may set bond amounts that vary substantially from these uniform bond amounts, based upon the particular facts of each case before them. (In this context, surcharges are not included. It is just a flat bond amount to secure an appearance date.) This statement recognizes as paramount, the constitutional mandate that, in all cases, the purpose of a bond is to guarantee the subsequent appearance of the defendant for a court proceeding. Individuals charged with a domestic violence offense may not secure release prior to appearing before a judge who will determine appropriate conditions of release.

### 3. PRESUMPTIVE SANCTIONS FOR CIVIL TRAFFIC OFFENSES

- a. Presumptive sanction amounts (excluding mandatory sanction amounts) include a range of plus 10% or minus 10%. Sanction amounts are for individuals who elect to pay their sanction without appearing before a judicial officer. The presumptive sanction amount(s) in this Administrative Order include the base sanction and all surcharges associated with civil traffic violations.
- b. Individual court fees established by city councils and FARE fees are in addition to these sanctions and may place some court fines above the recommended range.
- c. Civil traffic offenses with minimum mandatory sanction amounts which do not require an appearance before a judge will state the minimum mandatory amount and associated surcharges.
- d. Traffic Offenses – Bail Card Schedule. Civil traffic offenses are divided into four categories:
  - i. Offenses with minimum mandatory sanctions . . . Minimum mandatory amount
  - ii. Non-moving traffic offenses) . . . . . \$170.00  
(Range: \$153.00 - \$187.00)
  - iii. Moving traffic offenses . . . . . \$207.00  
(Range: \$186.00 - \$227.00)
  - iv. Speeding (A.R.S. § 28-701A):

1-9 mph over	(Range: \$187.00 - \$229.00) . . . . .	\$208.00
10-15 mph over	(Range: \$201.00 - \$245.00) . . . . .	\$223.00
16-20 mph over	(Range: \$219.00 - \$268.00) . . . . .	\$244.00
21-29 mph over	(Range: \$274.00 - \$335.00) . . . . .	\$304.00
30-39 mph over	(Range: \$283.00 - \$345.00) . . . . .	\$314.00
40+ mph over	(Range: \$446.00 - \$547.00) . . . . .	\$497.00
- e. If local concerns justify an alternative presumptive amount, a court may impose such amount upon notification to the Presiding Judge of Superior Court in Maricopa County of the alternative amount.