

# The Jackson County Underage Alcohol Violation Program

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## You Have Received An Underage Alcohol Violation Citation - What Now?

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YOU MUST APPEAR IN COURT on the date stated on the citation. **Parents must accompany you to court if you are a minor.**

### **What is the Underage Alcohol Violation Program?**

The Jackson County Underage Alcohol Violation Program offers an alternative to the usual penalties and includes

- Alcohol screening
- Brief alcohol education and/or treatment

## **What will the Underage Alcohol Violation Program do for me?**

If you choose to participate, you will not have to forfeit your bond (pay your fine) and you will not have your driving privileges suspended or delayed. In most instances your conviction for your *first* offense will be dismissed upon timely and successful completion.

If you choose to participate in UAVP and fail to comply with the program requirements, penalties for fines and suspended driving privileges will be increased to that of a second offense.

There are fees associated with the Alcohol Screening and education requirements. You alone are required to complete the requirements of the program, submit all completed documents in the time allotted and pay any associated fees in advance.

## **Why is that such a deal?**

The penalties which may be ordered right now\* for underage drinking are:

**1<sup>st</sup> Offense:** A forfeiture of \$173.50 (under age 17), \$263.50 (ages 17-20) and 30 day suspension of driving privileges

**2<sup>nd</sup> Offense:** A forfeiture of \$213.10 (under age 17), \$389.50 (ages 17-20), and 90 day suspension of driving privileges.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Offense:** A forfeiture of \$263.50 (under age 17), \$515.50 (ages 17-20), and 6 month suspension of your driving privileges.

*In addition, each suspension of driving privileges will result in a \$60 license reinstatement fee charged by WDOT and significantly higher insurance costs.*

## **Who is eligible to participate?**

If this is your first underage alcohol violation, the Judge will offer you the opportunity to participate in the Underage Alcohol Violation Program.