

# BLACK DIAMOND POLICE TRAFFIC SCHOOL PROGRAM

## INTRODUCTION

The Black Diamond Traffic Infraction School program is designed for qualified drivers that wish to keep certain infractions off his or her driving record. The program is offered to all **qualified** (see below) drivers that have been issued a citation filed in the Black Diamond Municipal Court.

Participation in the Traffic School Program involves 3 components:

1. Your case will be set for a hearing within 120 days of the violation date with the Municipal Court.
2. A fee of \$200 must be paid in full to the City of Black Diamond.
3. You must attend and complete the Black Diamond's Traffic Safety School before your hearing date.

**Who Qualifies:** People that have not attended traffic school in the past 18 months. Participation will be allowed for the following violations: Speeding up to 20mph over the speed limit, failure to stop, failure to yield, failure to signal properly, following too close, improper passing and seat belt violations. Participation will not be allowed in any violation that involved a traffic accident or occurred in a school or work zone.

If you attend the traffic safety school, have no further violations and all other conditions are met, the case will be dismissed. If you fail to attend the course on the date specified, you will need to attend your Municipal Court hearing.

## BLACK DIAMOND TRAFFIC SAFETY SCHOOL

Black Diamond Traffic Safety School is a course designed to educate qualified drivers on traffic laws and safety skills. Sessions are held on Saturdays from 12 p.m. until 4 p.m. Each 4 hour class begins promptly at 12:00 p.m. (noon). Tardiness will be considered a failure to comply. The school fee is \$200, (cash, check or money order only, made payable to the City of Black Diamond.) and is required to be paid in full at the Black Diamond Police Department at least one day prior to the class. Participants that have not paid in full by 5:00 pm the day before class will not be allowed to attend. You must attend the entire class. Instructors reserve the right to remove from class any participant for inappropriate behavior. **If you don't attend and/or are removed from class, the fee will be forfeited.**

## HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

To participate in the Black Diamond Traffic Safety School you must mark the "contested" box on the back of the green copy of the citation you were issued and return it with the completed and signed form (attached) to the address listed on the citation. Payment must be made in full to the Black Diamond Police Department (cash, check or money order\*) of \$200 made payable to "City of Black Diamond". You do not need to include payment for the amount listed on the front of your citation. Once your request is received by the Court and accepted by the City you will receive a notice by mail indicating the date you are to appear in class. Classes will be held in the Council Chambers located at 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, WA 98010. Send your completed form (below), along with your green citation to: **Black Diamond Municipal Court, PO Box 599, Black Diamond, WA 98010. If you have any questions regarding participation, please call (253) 631-1012.**

### Please Print Legibly:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Citation #: BD \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read and understand this application and agree to all conditions of the Black Diamond Traffic School Program.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_