

Violations Bureau Schedules

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Municipal court judges are being reminded of the policy of the Supreme Court that court costs should not exceed the amount of the fine and that any changes in their violations bureau schedules must be submitted to and approved by the Assignment Judge, *R. 7:7-3*.

I suggest that you withhold approval of any violations bureau schedule, or amendment thereto, which provides for court costs in excess of the fine for any violation; except when a defendant fails to appear or respond and the court must take additional steps to have him or her appear by sending a follow-up notice, in which case assessment of additional costs is justifiable.

EDITOR'S NOTE

The statutory information on maximum court costs in traffic cases has been deleted because *N.J.S.A. 22A:3-4* has been amended since this directive. The last paragraph referring questions to the former chief, Municipal Courts, AOC has been deleted. The most recent Violation Bureau Schedules are approved by the Supreme Court and are available through the AOC. The language has been amended to render it gender-neutral.

Chapter 7 of the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey governs practice in municipal courts. This chapter was substantially revised in 1997 and users of this compilation should consult the revised chapter for any changes that may affect these directives.