

# Superior Court of California County of Santa Clara

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## **Traffic Infraction Amnesty Program in effect** **January 1, 2012 thru June 30, 2012**

Beginning January 1, 2012, violators who have old unpaid traffic tickets may be eligible for the Amnesty Program. Certain unpaid traffic tickets are eligible for a 50 percent reduction if the fine is paid within the six-month amnesty period. The Amnesty Program ends June 30, 2012. To qualify for the 50 percent reduction, all of the following conditions must be met:

- The outstanding traffic case was due to be paid in full before January 1, 2009
- The person cited either failed to appear in court or failed to pay in full
- The last date a payment was made was on or before January 1, 2009
- There was no Civil Assessment fee added to the case after January 1, 2009
- The person cited does not owe restitution to a victim on any case within the county where the traffic case was filed
- The person cited has no outstanding misdemeanor or felony warrants within the county where the traffic case was filed.

If other fees and assessments were added to the original fine, those will also be reduced by 50 percent. Violators must pay off the balance due in one lump sum by cash, check or credit card, on or before June 30, 2012.

To determine program eligibility, violators may contact the Traffic Court where their case was filed, in-person or by phone, or submit a completed Eligibility Affidavit form by mail. The Eligibility Affidavit is available on the Court's website, Traffic Court webpage at [http://www.scscourt.org/self\\_help/traffic/amnesty\\_program.shtml](http://www.scscourt.org/self_help/traffic/amnesty_program.shtml) The contact information for traffic courthouses within Santa Clara County are listed below.

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[Palo Alto Courthouse](#)

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[South County Morgan Hill Courthouse](#)

301 Diana Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

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