

HOW TO OBTAIN A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE

If you have been charged in Washington County with the following misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor driving offenses you are encouraged to take steps to obtain a valid driver's license before you make your next appearance in Court.

- No Minnesota Driver's License ("No MN DL")
- Driving After Suspension ("DAS")
- Driving After Cancellation ("DAC")
- Driving After Cancellation Inimical to Public Safety ("DACIPS")
- Driving After Withdrawal ("DAW")
- Driving After Revocation ("DAR")

Although Washington County does not have a "get valid" driver's license program, a prosecutor or the Court may consider your efforts in getting a valid driver's license as part of resolving your case.

In most cases, driving privileges in the State of Minnesota are suspended or canceled for failure to take some specific action (for example, failure to pay a fine, child support installment, reinstatement fee, etc.). To "get valid" again you may need to pay a fine, take a driver's license exam and road test, or perform some other action required by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Driver and Vehicle Services Division (DMV).

To determine why your driver's license has been suspended, revoked or canceled and what action you must take to "get valid,"

1. Visit the DVS website, www.mndriveinfo.org, which also includes locations of various testing centers throughout the State of Minnesota, or call them at 651.297.3298 (TDD/TTY 651.282.6555); or
2. Contact/visit a driver evaluator at the DVS located at 445 Minnesota Street, St. Paul, MN 55101 (651.296.2025 or TDD/TTY 651.282.6555). *Note that, in the event you are not entitled to reinstatement of your full driver's license privileges, you may be able to get a temporary driver's license (work permit) by speaking with an evaluator about this process.*

You must bring proof of your efforts to have your driving privileges reinstated to all of your court hearings for review by the prosecutor or the Court.