

**SHAKER HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL COURT
CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO**

**Information about Ohio Law
for Individuals Charged with Distracted Driving Violations**

You have been charged with some traffic violations which include the *new* Ohio law violation called, “**distracted driving.**” The distracted driving charge will cost you *an additional fine of \$100.00 for the distracted driving violation.* This will be on top of any fines imposed for the other charges listed on your ticket!!!

Do you want to avoid the added \$100 fine? To not pay the *extra* \$100.00 penalty, you *have to* complete a **free** “distracted driving course.” This is an online course created by the Ohio Department of Public Safety. By completing this fee course *BEFORE* your court date, the court will not have to charge you the additional \$100.00 fine for distracted driving.

If you have not completed the distracted driving course before your first court date, you can come to court and ask for a continuance of your court date *one time!!!* (This continuance request will cost you \$20.00.) The court will continue your court date so that you can complete the course **before** returning to court for your second court date.

You must complete the course as explained below before you come to your next court date. Once the course is completed, ****you must bring to court with you the written paper provided to you proving completion of the distracted driving course!!!**** *If you do not bring the paper, you cannot receive credit!!!*

How to complete the course? The course is on the computer/internet at the Ohio Driver Training website. Type in <https://www.drivertraining.ohio.gov>. From their homepage, click on the “*Distracted Driving Course.*” Next, click “*Enter Course*” and follow instructions. The course will take about an hour to complete.

When you are finished, you must print a copy of your certificate proving completion of the course and remember to bring this paper to court. *The certificate proving you completed the course must be printed at the time you complete the course. If you save it and print it later it will NOT contain your name! The court cannot accept the certificate without your name!!!* Your certificate should look like the one on the back of this page.

Certificate of Completion

This certifies that

Student Name

has successfully completed the training
program requirements for

Distracted Driving 101

Awarded on
Current Date



Student Name