

Felony DUI Court Treatment Program Quick Reference

What is the Felony DUI Court Treatment Program?

The Serious Offender Felony DUI Court is specifically designed to handle repeat offenders who drive under the influence of alcohol, controlled substances, or both. Each person in the program has had no less than three DUI offenses and is facing no less than one year in the Nevada State Prison if they fail the program. Participants receive necessary treatment and supervision over the period of no less than three years and no longer than five years.

Who is eligible to apply for the Felony DUI Court Treatment Program?

Defendants charged with a felony DUI 3rd Offense and meet the criteria as described by SB 277 are eligible to apply. Defendants first appear for arraignment in District Court. The defendant must enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere. At that time, a completed application for admission to the Felony DUI Court Treatment Program must be submitted. The defendant must also submit a completed substance abuse evaluation by a certified counselor. The defendant will be directed to meet with the Division of Parole and Probation and the Carson City Department of Alternative Sentencing in order that a Presentence Investigation Reports may be completed. The decision to admit a defendant into the Felony DUI Court Treatment Program is made by a Judge after all relevant information is considered pursuant to SB277. If granted, the case will be transferred to the Western Regional Felony DUI Court. The Defendant, at time Diversion is granted, shall be instructed to report immediately to the Department of Alternative Sentencing. The defendant must attend the Western Regional DUI Court during the regular hearing days, usually every two weeks and abide by all the conditions of the court and the program.

What are the fees associated with the Felony DUI Court Treatment Program?

The Felony DUI Court Treatment Program is strictly client funded, meaning the participant is required and expected to pay all costs and fees associated with the program. You will be required to be on House Arrest for 6 months. The average cost of House Arrest is \$15.00 per day. An Interlock Device is required for twelve months, if you have or obtain a Driver's License. The fees for such devices can range from \$75-\$100 to install, approximately \$100 per month and a removal fee of \$75-100. The total cost of the Felony DUI Court Treatment Program can range from approximately \$10,000 to \$15,000 over the course of three to five years when you add up the cost of House Arrest, Interlock devices, counseling fees and probation fees.

Who do I contact regarding information about the Felony DUI Court Treatment Program?

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