



**Superior Court of California  
County of Fresno**

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**NOTICE**

**Emergency Criminal Rule in Response to COVID-19**

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The Superior Court for the County of Fresno adopted the following local rule under rule 10.613(i) of the California Rules of Court, as authorized by your Statewide Order dated March 23, 2020.

**3.6.3 Remote Video Arraignments, Trials and Related Proceedings in Traffic Infraction Cases**

A. Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 4.220(a), the Fresno Superior Court permits traffic infraction arraignments, trials and related proceedings to be conducted by two-way remote video communication methods. Modification hearings may not be calendared for remote video proceedings.

B. Coalinga is designated as a location where eligible defendants may appear for remote proceedings. Additional locations may be designated.

C. To be eligible to appear for remote video arraignment or trial:

1. The citation issued must be for an infraction as defined in California Rules of Court, rule 4.220(b)(1);
2. Defendant must comply with California Rules of Court, rule 4.220.

D. Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 4.220(g), law enforcement officers and other witnesses may testify at the remote location or in court and be cross-examined by the defendant from the remote location.

E. Defendants must submit form TR-505 or TR-510 and the bail amount when required to the Traffic Clerk's Office for filing. The forms may be submitted in person at:

**Traffic Clerk's Office  
2317 Tuolumne Street  
Fresno, CA 93721-1220**

Or mailed to:

**Fresno Superior Court  
Attn: Traffic Division**

**1100 Van Ness Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93724-0002**

Or faxed to: (559) 457-1710

Or emailed to: [Dept97C@fresno.courts.ca.gov](mailto:Dept97C@fresno.courts.ca.gov)

Forms submitted in person, by facsimile or email must be filed on or before the appearance date indicated on the Notice to Appear. Forms submitted by mail must be postmarked at least five (5) court days before the appearance date indicated on the Notice to Appear.

F. Upon receipt of a subpoena setting out the hearing date and remote location, law enforcement officers and other witnesses may make a request to appear in court instead of at the remote location. The request must be made via form PTR-506. The form may be substituted in person, faxed, emailed or mailed to the locations set out above. Forms submitted in person, faxed or emailed must be presented for filing at least five (5) court days before the date of the video proceeding set out in the subpoena. Forms submitted by mail must be postmarked at least ten (10) days before the date of the video proceeding set out in the subpoena.

G. Any evidence to be considered at the remote trial must be filed with the court at least two (2) court days before the scheduled trial date. Failure to timely file evidence with the Court may result in the court trial being continued and/or the evidence not being considered. All exhibits shall be accompanied by form PTR-507 to assist in identifying the case associated with the exhibits. The form and exhibits may be submitted in person, faxed, emailed or mailed to the locations set out above. Exhibits submitted by mail should be postmarked at least ten (10) days before the remote video trial date.

Defendants and law enforcement designees may bring one (1) copy of all demonstrative or other physical evidence he/she intends to use in presentation of his/her case to the remote location or the courtroom on the day of the hearing. Demonstrative or other physical evidence includes video and audio recordings submitted on a CD, DVD or usb drive, oversized maps or diagrams, three dimensional objects, and blown up photographs. (Effective May 28, 2021; Rule 3.6.3 (was 3.6.4) renumbered effective January 1, 2016; adopted as Rule 3.6.4 (now 3.6.3) effective March 1, 2013)