Table Summarizing Civil Infraction Fines, Costs, & Assessments

In general, a person found responsible or responsible "with explanation" for a civil infraction under the MVC or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to a provision of the MVC must pay costs as provided in MCL 257.907(4) and pay a civil fine of not more than \$100.00. MCL 257.907(2); MCL 257.907(2)(a). The civil fine and costs must be payable immediately unless the order or judgment includes a grant of permission for payment to be made in a specified period of time or installments. MCL 257.907(2). The exceptions to this general rule are listed in the table below. ¹

Civil Infraction	Mandatory Fine	Fine Amount	Mandat ory Costs	Costs Amount	Assessment Amount	Authority
Moving violation resulting in at-fault collision with another vehicle, person, object. ₁	Depends on the underlying moving violation.	Must be increased by \$25, not to exceed \$100.	No.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40.	MCL 257.907(2)(b); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12).
Failing to assure title transfer upon sale, MCL 257.240	Yes.	\$15	No.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40.	MCL 257.240(3); MCL 257.907(2)(c); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12).

¹This table only includes the exceptions that apply to the civil infractions discussed in this benchbook.

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Civil Infraction	Mandatory Fine	Fine Amount	Mandat ory Costs	Costs Amount	Assessment Amount	Authority
No proof of insurance under MCL 257.328.	Yes, unless eligible for waiver.	Not more than \$100. May be waived if valid proof of insurance is received by court before appearance date.	No.	Not to exceed \$100. May be waived if valid proof of insurance is received by court before appearance date.	\$40, unless total fine and costs imposed are \$10 or less. If individual submits timely proof of insurance, the court shall not assess a fine or costs but may assess a fee of not more than \$25.	MCL 257.328(3); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12); MCL 257.907(14).
Violation of motorcycle indorsement (first violation ²) under MCL 257.312a(4)(a)	Yes.	Not more than \$250.	Yes.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40	MCL 257.907(2)(d); MCL 257.904(4); MCL 257.907(12).

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Civil Infraction	Mandatory Fine	Fine Amount	Mandat ory Costs	Costs Amount	Assessment Amount	Authority
Texting while driving under MCL 257.602b.	Yes.	\$100 for first offense; \$200 for subsequent offense.	Yes.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40.	MCL 257.602b(5); MCL 257.907(2)(h); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12).
Violating maximum speed limit under MCL 257.629c(1)	Yes.	Minimum fine amount determined by miles per hour over speed limit.	No.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40, unless total fine and costs imposed are \$10 or less.	MCL 257.629c(1); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12).
Disabled parking violations under MCL 257.674(1)(s), or substantially corresponding local ordinance.	Yes.	Not less than \$100 or more than \$250.	Yes.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40.	MCL 257.907(2)(i); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12).

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Civil Infraction	Mandatory Fine	Fine Amount	Mandat ory Costs	Costs Amount	Assessment Amount	Authority
Sale or display for sale of produce or merchandise within highway right-of-way in violation of permit under MCL 257.676a(3)	No.	Not more than \$10.	Yes.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40, unless total fine and costs imposed are \$10 or less.	MCL 257.907(2)(j); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12).
Business solicitation at the scene of a motor vehicle accident or disabled vehicle under MCL 257.676c.	Yes.	\$1,000.	Yes.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40.	MCL 257.676c(1); MCL 257.907(2)(k); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12).
Failing to stop for school bus under MCL 257.682, or substantially corresponding local ordinance.	Yes.	Not less than \$100 or more than \$500.	Yes.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40.	MCL 257.907(2)(<i>l</i>); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12).

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Civil Infraction	Mandatory Fine	Fine Amount	Mandat ory Costs	Costs Amount	Assessment Amount	Authority
Child less than four years of age not properly secured in child restraint system under MCL 257.710d.	No, but cannot be waived unless costs are also waived.	Not more than \$10. May be waived if individual provides evidence of securing a conforming child seating system before appearance date, but only if costs are also waived.	No.	Not to exceed \$100.	\$40, unless total fine and costs imposed are \$10 or less.	MCL 257.907(2)(m); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(11); MCL 257.907(12).
Seat belt violation under MCL 257.710e.	No, but cannot be waived unless costs are also waived.	Total civil fine and costs must be \$25.	No.	Total civil fine and costs must be \$25.	\$40.	MCL 257.907(2)(n); MCL 257.907(4); MCL 257.907(12).

^{1.} Beginning October 31, 2010.

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^{2.} For a violation that occurs after 1 or more prior judgments, the individual is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than \$500.00, or both." MCL 257.312a(4)(b).