

### **Pre Trial Diversion Program Rules, Regulations and Procedures**

*The Pre Trial Diversion program is only for first time offenders, with non-violent crimes and non-traffic violation. Program must be completed within **60 days**. For an extension/continuance please contact the District Attorney's office or submit via e-mail on the website*

Payments are accepted at the District Attorney's office **Monday through Friday from 9am-3pm by MONEY ORDER OR CASHIER'S CHECK. NO CASH, DEBIT OR CREDIT CARD ACCEPTED. (DO NOT CONTACT THE CLERK'S OFFICE). MONEY ORDERS/CASHIER'S CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO: CHATHAM COUNTY CLERK OF COURT.**

Documents are accepted at the District Attorney's Office UPON COMPLETION before or on the scheduled court date or mailed prior to the court date. If payments/documents are made the day of court this will result in a delay in the processing of your case. **Pre-Trial Diversion program fee monies are non-refundable. NO PARTIAL PAYMENTS ACCEPTED.**

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1. Any new violations may result in a withdrawal from the Pre Trial Diversion Program. This includes traffic tickets. Any new violation must be reported to the District Attorney's Office within 72 hours of the violation.
2. **Drug Testing**-Every person in the Pre Trial Diversion Program for a drug charge must submit to a drug screen. The drug screen is at your own expense at a certified lab, hospital, doctor's office, or clinic. Pride Probation does drug screens for \$15, however it's your choice where you go to have the test completed. A certificate must be provided to the District Attorney's Office. The certificate must be from your own test.
3. **Anger Management Course** must be certified and cannot be completed online. The following is a list of places which offer certified courses: Recovery Place, 912-662-8700 or 912-692-0425; Union Mission, Health Services; or Success for Families and Children Enterprise, 912-323-9784 or 800-628-9202. (This is not an exclusive list).
4. **Substance Abuse Treatment** must be a certified course and cannot be completed online. The following is a list of certified courses. Recovery Place, Union Mission, and Health Services. (**This is not an exclusive list**).
5. **Defensive Driving Course** must be an approved state course.
6. **Boating Safety Course** contact the Department of Natural Resources at 912-264-7218.
7. **Domestic Violence Course** must be certified and cannot be completed online. Certified courses can be completed at Recovery Place, 912-662-8700 or 912-692-0425; Seaport Christian Counseling 912-239-5711; or Success for Families and Children Enterprise, 912-323-9784 or 800-628-9202.
8. **Gun Safety Course** contact the Department of Natural Resources at 912-264-7218.
9. **Parenting Classes** cannot be completed online. Contact Department of Family and Child Services for classes at 912-651-2211; or Success for Families and Children Enterprise, 912-323-9784 or 800-628-9202. There may be free classes offered through churches in the community.
10. **Shoplifting Courses** can be completed online; however the course must be at least **4 hours long**. The Shoplifting Alternative Course is available online [www.SACourseOnline.org](http://www.SACourseOnline.org); enter Court Number 3533 or [www.thefttalk.com](http://www.thefttalk.com) is acceptable as well.
11. **Victim Impact Panel** cannot be an online course. Contact MADD of Georgia at 888-833-6033 for course information.
12. **Community Service Hours** may be completed at any non-profit organization. **No private for profit organizations may be done for work or school credit.** You must have a signed letter from the organization with a contact person for the organization, a telephone number, and the number of hours completed. *Fraudulent forms will result in prosecution for a felony.*

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