

# HAS YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE BEEN TAKEN AWAY?

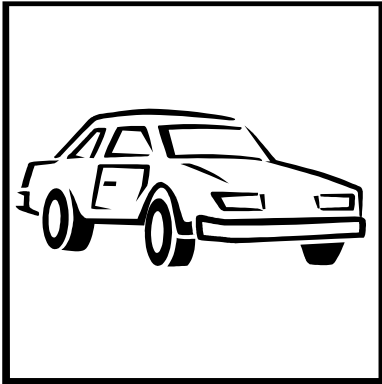


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### What do I need to do to clear my driving record?

Each case is different. There are 3 ways to find out what you need to do.

1. **Call** the State of Tennessee Driver's License Information Line in Nashville at **(615) 741-3954**. They will tell you each step you must take. You will be on hold for a while.
2. **OR Mail or Fax** a written request to:

Financial Responsibility Section  
Tennessee Department of Safety  
P.O. Box 945  
Nashville, TN 37202  
**OR** Fax #:(615)253-2093

3. **OR Send an e-mail to the Department at this address:**  
FinResp.Safety@state.tn.us

When you call, write or email, tell them:

- your Tennessee driver's license number, if you have one
- your full name, and any other names you have used
- your date of birth
- your Social Security Number
- your mailing address
- why you lost your license, if you know and
- your day time phone number.

### **What if a judge said I must pay accident costs?**

You must prove you can pay these costs. This is called proof of financial responsibility. How do you prove it? Ask the person or insurance company who sued you for a release form. This says you paid the debt **OR** are making payments.

### **What if I had an accident, but have NOT been sued?**

The other person may ask the state to take away your license and make you pay. You should get a letter about this in the mail. Some people don't get the letter if their address has changed.

Has it been less than one year since the accident? You may have to agree to pay to get your license back. Ask the Department of Safety.

### **What about the fee to get a new license?**

Each case is different, and so are the fees. To find out your fees, call the Tennessee Department of Safety Driver's License Information Line. Their number is (615)741-3954. Is your fee over \$400? Ask if you can get your license back while you make payments.

Remember you can go to jail if you drive without a license.



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