Appearances for defendants are allowed to take place in a hybrid model. An appearance can take place in person at the courthouse or via zoom. Defendants are encouraged to appear via zoom unless otherwise directed by the Judge, Pro Tem Judge or Court Commissioner. Zoom appearance will require a working camera and sound.

(Effective September 1, 2022)

### BMC LCrRLJ 3.2.2

### **RELEASE OF THE ACCUSED**

(1) Any person arrested on Probable Cause (without a warrant) for an offense classified as a Domestic Violence offense under Chapter 10.99 of the Revised Code of Washington as the same exists or shall hereafter be amended shall be held in jail pending the defendant's first appearance in the absence of a judicial order.

(Effective September 1, 2020)

### **JURY COST**

Jury costs in the amount of \$125.00 may be imposed in addition to any other courts costs on all cases that have a jury confirmed and result in a conviction or plea of guilty. These costs shall be waived if the court is notified in sufficient time to cancel the services of the jury prior to the City incurring any costs.

(Effective September 1, 2013)

### **JURY TRIAL CONFIRMATION**

The defendant (if pro se) or their attorney (if represented) shall be physically or virtually present at the readiness hearing to confirm the case will proceed to trial. The City may also confirm the jury trial at the readiness hearing. Failure to confirm the jury trial at the readiness hearing may result in the jury trial date being stricken, and the trial continued in the administration of justice, pursuant to CrRU 3.3.

(Effective September 1, 2021)

### RELEASE OF ACCUSED – BONDING REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Surety under CrR⊔ 3.2 or for any other purpose may be posted by any company and any agent authorized, licensed and/or justified to post bonds by the Washington State Department of Licensing under RCW 18.185 and by the Superior Court of Kitsap County.
- (b) When a Surety seeks remittance of a forfeited bond under RCW 10.19.140, costs of \$150 shall be deducted from the amount returned, unless law enforcement files an itemization showing a higher cost of transporting, locating, apprehending or processing the return of the defendant.

(Effective September 1, 2016)

### NO CONTACT ORDERS

A written motion is required to amend, modify or rescind a no contact order. Scheduling of the motion will be done in writing by the court if the request for a hearing is granted or denied.

(Effective September 1, 2022)

## **BENCH COPIES**

Bremerton Municipal Court allows appearance in a hybrid model and the parties must submit bench copies of signed plea agreements and pretrial diversion agreements at least 1 calendar day before the scheduled hearing date. These documents need to have all parties wet signatures.

(Effective September 1, 2022)

#### BMC LIRLJ 3

### **DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT CORRECTION FORM**

If a defective equipment correction form is given to a defendant by a Bremerton Police Officer and

- The defective item has been repaired or corrected; and
- The form is completed and signed by a mechanic, service station operator or a commissioned police officer, who either did the work or verified the work has been completed; and
- The signed form and the notice of infraction is submitted to the Bremerton Municipal Court within 15 calendar days of the infraction being issued;

The infraction shall be dismissed by the court clerk with no penalty involved.

In the event that the form is not properly filled out or not filed timely, the clerk has no authority to dismiss the citation and it will be processed as a failure to appear or respond.

(Effective September 1, 2016)

#### **BMC LIRLJ 3.5**

#### **DECISIONS ON WRITTEN STATEMENT**

- (a) Request for Decision on Written Statement. If the defendant submits a timely request for a hearing to mitigate an infraction, the defendant may elect to seek a decision on written statement pursuant to the provisions of IRU 3.5. A defendant who elects to mitigate an infraction by decision on written statement shall be deemed to have waived an in-court hearing to mitigate the infraction in person.
- (b) Time for Submitting Request for Decision on Written Statement. The request for a decision by written statement shall be submitted no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the date set for the in-court mitigation hearing.
- (c) Declaration for Written Statement Required. A defendant wishing to proceed by decision on written statements shall provide a written statement which sets forth the facts and/or defense(s) that the defendant would like the court to consider. A written statement submitted pursuant to this rule shall be submitted by declaration as follows: "I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct," and shall be in substantially the following form:

Name of Defendant
Address
Infraction Number (upper right corner of the citation)
Violation Date

I wish to mitigate the infraction [ ]
I wish to defer the infraction [ ]
Statement

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the above information is true and correct.

day of
(city/state).

The written statement shall be submitted at the same time as the request for decision on written statement.

- (d) Time for Examination, Factual Determination, Disposition and Notice to Parties. The time for examination, factual determination, disposition and notice to parties shall be pursuant to IRLJ 3.5(a).
- (e) Court May Require In-Person Appearance. In its discretion, the court may deny a defendant's request to proceed to Decision on Written Statement and may require the defendant to appear for an in-person hearing before the court.
- (f) No Appeal Permitted. There shall be no appeal from a Decision on Written Statement.

(Effective September 1, 2019)

# BMC LIRLJ 6.6 (a) (1)

## SPEED MEASURING DEVICE EXPERT

(a) (1) All subpoenaed appearances for an electronic or laser speed measuring device (SMD) expert will be conducted telephonically.

(Effective September 1, 2005)