Centralia Municipal Court
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SCOPE OF LOCAL RULES

These rules govern the procedure in the Municipal Court of Centralia, County of Lewis, State of Washington. These rules are supplemental to the rules enacted by limited jurisdiction as specifically authorized by GR 7, CRLJ 83, CrRLJ 1.7, and IRLJ 1.3 of the Washington Court Rules. The court may modify or suspend any of these local rules in any given case upon good cause begin shown or upon the court's own motion.

1. Appearance following arrest.

(a) Defendant having been arrested for Driving Under the Influence, RCW 46.61.502 or Physical Control, RCW 46.61.504, or Assault 4th Domestic Violence, RCW 9A.36.041.DV, must appear in court on the earliest practicable day as defined herin.

(b) Earliest practicable day is defined as the next regulary scheduled court session.

DECORUM

1. Courtroom Decorum. All attorneys and other individuals in the courtroom shall abide by the following rules of conduct.

(a) Always be Prompt. Be in the courtroom ready to proceed at the appointed time.

(b) Dress Appropriately to the Serious Nature of the Matters Before the Court. Shorts and other kinds of beach apparel are not appropriate. Clothing advertising alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs are not appropriate. Hats are not to be worn in the courtroom.

USE OF A COLLECTION AGENCY

1. Contract for Collections. The court may use the services of a collection agency for the purpose of collecting unpaid and delinquent penalties on infractions, criminal fines, costs, assessments, and forfeitures, on the terms and conditions of the contract for collection services between the City of Centralia and said collection agency, and as may be subsequently amended.

Rule 3
Release of 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 court in the absence of a judicial order.