

OFFENCES INCURRING PENALTY POINTS

AND FIXED CHARGE NOTICES AT 8 DECEMBER 2014

These are summary descriptions of the offences and not a legal interpretation.

Offences incurring Penalty Points and Fixed Charges	Penalty points on payment	Penalty points on conviction	Amount paid in	Amount paid in next
			28 days Fixed Charge €	28 days Fixed Charge €
Learner permit holder driving unaccompanied by qualified person	2	4	80	120
Failure to display N Plate or tabard	2	4	60	90
Failure to display L-Plate or tabard	2	4	60	90
Contravention of ban on U-turns	2	4	60	90
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts	1	3	60	90
Proceeding beyond no entry to vehicles sign	1	3	60	90
Proceeding beyond a traffic lane control sign other than in accordance with such sign or without yielding	1	3	60	90
Using vehicle in a public place without an authorisation plate	3	5	60	90
Using vehicle in a public place that has been modified or altered such that authorisation plate is inaccurate	3	5	60	90
Using vehicle not equipped with a speed limitation device or using a vehicle equipped with a speed limitation device not complying with requirements specified in Regulations	3	5	60	90
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle length sign where length exceeds maximum displayed	1	3	60	90
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle width sign where width exceeds maximum displayed	1	3	60	90
Proceeding beyond maximum design gross vehicle weight (safety) sign where design gross vehicle weight exceeds maximum displayed	1	3	60	90
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle axle loading weight sign where vehicle axle loading weight exceeds maximum specified	1	3	60	90
Using vehicle (car) without valid test certificate (NCT)	3	5	60	90
Parking a vehicle in a dangerous position	3	5	80	120
Failure to drive on the left hand side of the road	2	4	60	90
Dangerous overtaking	3	5	80	120
Contravention of prohibition of driving vehicle along or across median strip	2	4	60	90
Failure to stop a vehicle before stop sign/stop line	3	5	80	120
Failure to yield right of way at a yield sign/yield line	3	5	80	120
Failure to comply with mandatory traffic signs at junctions	2	4	80	120
Crossing continuous white line	3	5	80	120
Failure by vehicle to obey traffic lights	3	5	80	120
Failure to leave appropriate distance between you and the vehicle in front	3	5	80	120
Driving vehicle before remedying dangerous defect	m*	3		Court Fine
Driving dangerously defective vehicle	m*	5		Court Fine
Using commercial vehicle without certificate of roadworthiness	m*	5		Court Fine
Bridge strikes, etc.	m*	3		Court Fine
Holding a mobile phone while driving	3	5	60	90
Failure to act in accordance with a Garda signal	1	3	80	120
Entry by driver into hatched marked area of roadway, e.g. Carriageway reduction lane	1	3	80	120
Failure to obey traffic rules at railway level crossing	2	5	80	120
Driving a vehicle on a motorway against the flow of traffic	2	4	80	120
Driving on the hard shoulder on a motorway	1	3	80	120
Driving a vehicle (subject to an ordinary speed limit of 90 kms per hour or less) on the outside lane on a motorway.	1	3	80	120
Failure to obey requirements at junctions, e.g. Not being in the correct lane when turning onto another road	1	3	60	90
Failure to obey requirements regarding reversing of vehicles, e.g. Reversing from minor road onto main road	1	3	60	90
Driving on a footpath	1	3	60	90
Driving on a cycle track	1	3	60	90
Failure to turn left when entering a roundabout	1	3	60	90
Failure to stop for school warden sign	2	5	80	120
Failure to stop when so required by a member of the Garda Síochána	2	5	80	120
Failure to yield	2	4	80	120
Driving without reasonable consideration	2	4	80	120
Failure to comply with prohibitory traffic signs	1	3	60	90
Failure to comply with keep left/keep right signs	1	3	60	90
Failure to comply with traffic lane markings	1	3	60	90
Illegal entry onto a one-way street	1	3	60	90
Driving a vehicle when unfit	m*	3		Court Fine
Breach of duties at an accident	m*	5		Court Fine
Speeding	3	5	80	120
Driving without insurance	m*	5		Court Fine
Driver of Car or Goods vehicle not wearing Safety belt	3	5	60	90
Failure by Driver to comply with rear seat belt requirements for passengers under 17 years	3	5	60	90
Driver of car or goods vehicle permitting child under 3 years of age to travel in it without being restrained by appropriate child restraint	3	5	60	90
Driver of car or goods vehicle permitting child over 3 years of age to travel in it without being restrained by appropriate child restraint	3	5	60	90
Driver of car or goods vehicle permitting child to be restrained by rearward facing child restraint fitted to a seat protected by active frontal air-bag	3	5	60	90
Driver of bus not wearing safety belt	3	5	60	90
Driver found to be driving carelessly	m*	5		Court Fine
Using vehicle – (a) whose weight un-laden exceeds maximum permitted weight, (b) whose weight laden exceeds maximum permitted weight, or (c) any part of which transmits to ground greater weight than maximum permitted weight	1	3	200	300
Drink driving offences (In all cases where the BAC is between 50mg and 80mg of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood)	3	n/a	200	

12 Penalty Points = Automatic Disqualification

7 Penalty Points = Automatic Disqualification where the person was first issued with a learner permit on or after 1st August 2014, during the period the person drives under a learner permit and during the first two years while the person drives under a first full driving licence.

* Mandatory Court Appearance

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