

# DRIVER'S LICENSE SUSPENSIONS FOR MISSING COURT IN NORTH CAROLINA

## 1 MISSED APPEARANCE

A person misses a court hearing for a motor vehicle charge. The vast majority of these are low-level offenses.



## 2 LICENSE SUSPENSION

If the person doesn't address the missed appearance within 20 days, the NC Department of Motor Vehicles notifies them. If the case isn't resolved within 40 days, the license is revoked.

## 3 ADDITIONAL BARRIERS

Without a driver's license, people may have trouble getting to work, fulfilling family obligations, and appearing in court in the future.



## 4 COSTLY CONSEQUENCES

To reinstate a driver's license, a person must resolve their case and pay any remaining fines and fees, including a reinstatement fee. This money and time can be a significant hardship. Those who drive with a revoked license also can be criminally charged. This is one of the most common offenses charged in North Carolina.

