OCCUPATIONAL DRIVERS LICENSE APPLICANTS

If you are seeking an Occupational Driver’s License, please note:

1. If your license was suspended for a conviction of DWI, Intoxicated Manslaughter, or a drug offense, you must apply to the court that convicted you. A JP Court cannot grant a license in these cases.
2. If your license was suspended for Drug Paraphernalia, you must file in the specific JP Court where the conviction occurred.
3. A JP Court cannot grant an Occupational License if your suspension was due to a physical or mental disability or impairment. A license cannot be granted if you have had two Administrative License Revocations on your record for a period of one-year or your license has been suspended under a current Child Support Order.

If your license was suspended due to Surcharges, habitual violator or refusal to submit to a breath/blood test, you may file in a JP Court.

To request an Occupational Driver’s License, you must first fill out a petition.

**NOTE:** You **MUST** have proof of current insurance and an SR-22 **IF THE STATE REQUIRES** (Financial Responsibility) and an abstract copy of your Driving Record with the petition. (Obtain two (2) copies of each as you will need a copy for the Department of Motor Vehicles when you apply).

Once you have filled out the petition, have proof of insurance, SR-22 *(if required)* and a copy of your abstract driving record, you may file the petition with the Clerk of the JP Court. The filing fee is $54.00. You will have a hearing before a Judge. If the Judge grants your request, he will provide you with a signed Order to allow you to operate a motor vehicle for 45 days while you make contact with the DMV to obtain your Occupational Driver’s License. You MUST carry a copy of the Order with you while you await the issuance of the DMV License.

You may seek assistance from an attorney, or the following website: [www.texaslawhelp.org](http://www.texaslawhelp.org/)

You may order an abstract version of your driving record online at [**www.texas.gov**](http://www.texas.gov/)

To see if the state requires you to have an SR-22 go to this website:

 <https://txapps.texas.gov/txapp/txdps/dleligibility/login.do>