

# LANE COUNTY LAW LIBRARY LEGAL RESEARCH GUIDE -- # 14: TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS AND TRAFFIC CRIMES

## Lane County Law Library

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### Generally:

There are two types of traffic violations: traffic violations and traffic crimes. Traffic violations, such as failing to signal a turn, are handled by the traffic court, and offenders cannot be arrested or jailed for traffic violations. Traffic crimes include negligent or reckless driving, driving under the influence, and vehicular assault, and offenders can be imprisoned.

## SUGGESTED RESOURCES:

### A. LANE COUNTY LAW LIBRARY CATALOG

<http://opac.libraryworld.com/cgi-bin/opac.pl?command=signin&libraryname=lanecountylawlib>

(TIP: Select "All Words" in the drop down menu, and search the word "debt collection", "consumer protection", "consumer credit")

(TIP: You will not find everything on line, so please be prepared to use some of these resources and others to help answer your questions.)

The following titles are available in the Lane County Law Library.

1. **TRAFFIC SCHOOL (sound recording) [3 GENERAL CLE CREDITS]**, by Oregon State Bar, 2008 . : AT 275 2008

### B. OTHER RESOURCES

#### State & County Resources

1. **Lane County Circuit Court—Traffic**  
<http://courts.oregon.gov/Lane/CriminalandTraffic/Traffic.page?>
2. **Oregon State Bar—Traffic Law**  
<http://www.osbar.org/public/legalinfo/traffic.html>
3. **Oregon State Bar—"Traffic School: What every lawyer needs to know"**  
*OSB Bulletin* August/September 2008  
<http://www.osbar.org/publications/bulletin/08augsep/traffic.html>
4. **Oregon DMV Driver and Vehicle Information**  
<http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV/>
5. **Oregon DMV 2007 Vehicle Code Book**  
<http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV/forms/vehiclecodebk.shtml>  
"DMV compiles all of the Oregon laws that govern vehicle registration, driver licensing and the rules of the road into a single volume we call the "Vehicle Code Book" (the 2007 edition is the current version) and includes statutes adopted and amended by the 2007 Legislature."

#### Other Internet Resources



**1. Nolo Press—Traffic Tickets-Resource Center**

<http://www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/traffic-tickets/index.html>

Includes information about traffic tickets, what to do if you are pulled over, and FAQs about several traffic-related topics

**2. Oregon Legal Research (Blog)—“Beat your ticket, get your day in court”**

<http://oregonlegalresearch.blogspot.com/2007/07/beat-your-ticket-get-your-day-in-court.html>

**3. Findlaw—Oregon Traffic Laws**

<http://public.findlaw.com/traffic-ticket-violation-law/state-traffic-law/oregon-traffic-law.html>

Includes information about fighting traffic tickets, DUI/DWI, Stops and Searches, and other topics

