

MANDATORY APPEARANCE:

Appearance in court is mandatory when a citation is issued for an underage alcohol offense. This appearance can be waived for first and second offenses; however, if these **2 conditions** are met:

1. Return the completed waiver of appearance found in this pamphlet to the Langlade County Clerk of Court (for offenders ages 17-20) before the scheduled court date.
2. Enclose the proper bond amount with the signed waiver. (The bond amount is given on your citation).

Penalties imposed for underage alcohol violations in Langlade County under WISCONSIN STATUTES §125.07:

1st offense within 12 months

- Adult (17-20) fine = \$200.50
- 90 day suspension of driver's license **or** completion of Alcohol Awareness classes

2nd offense within 12 months

- Adult (17-20) fine = \$263.50
- 1 year suspension of driver's license

PLEADING NOT GUILTY:

If you intend to plead not guilty, you must appear in court to enter your plea. At that time, a trial date will be set.

PLEADING GUILTY

WAIVERS:

The waiver of appearance for both 1st and 2nd offenses are printed in this pamphlet. If you intend to plead guilty and do not wish to appear in court on the date scheduled, complete and sign the applicable waiver, and return it to the Clerk of Court with your bond money. The address can be found on your citation.

If you receive more than 2 citations for underage alcohol violations within 1 year, you cannot waive your appearance and failure to appear will result in a warrant being issued for your arrest.

OPTIONS:

Rather than having their driver's license suspended for 90 days, first-time offenders have the option of completing Alcohol Awareness classes at Northcentral Technical College (715)623-7601, Ext. 7703. These classes must be completed within 60 days of your scheduled court appearance. You must provide the Court with proof that you have completed these classes. It is not the Court's responsibility to verify completion.

If you don't live in Langlade County, you can attend Alcohol Awareness classes in your area, but the classes **must** be pre-approved. Contact the Court at (715) 627-6221 for approval.

WAIVER OF APPEARANCE

1st Offense Underage Alcohol Violation

1. _____
Name

Address

I understand the penalties and request the Court to find me guilty of a first offense underage alcohol violation.

2. I am enclosing the proper bond amount.
BOND MUST BE POSTED.
3. I will/will not attend Alcohol Awareness classes. (circle one)

If so, where? _____

Name of School/College

I understand that these classes must be completed within 60 days of my scheduled court appearance.

4. I will provide the Clerk of Court with written proof that I have completed these classes within 60 days of my scheduled court appearance. I understand that if I fail to do so, the Court will suspend my driver's license for 90 days.
5. I understand the penalties for future underage alcohol offenses that occur within one year.

Signature of underage alcohol offender

WAIVER OF APPEARANCE

2nd Offense Underage Alcohol Violation

1. _____

Name

Address

I understand the penalties and request the Court to find me guilty of a second offense underage alcohol violation.

2. I am enclosing the proper bond amount.

BOND MUST BE POSTED.

3. I understand that my driver's license will be suspended for one year, and that this suspension will commence on the date of my scheduled court appearance.

Signature of underage alcohol offender

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact:

Antigo Police Department or
Langlade Co. Sheriff's Dept.

840 Clermont Street

Antigo, WI 54409

(715) 627-6411

or

Clerk of Court

800 Clermont Street

Antigo, WI 54409

(715) 627-6215

(For people 17-20 years of age)

Langlade County

POLICY ON UNDERAGE ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS

Penalties and options for underage alcohol violators.

John B. Rhode
Circuit Court Judge