

(1) The person otherwise is being arrested under § 26-202(a)(1), (2), (3), or (4) of this subtitle;

(2) The person is incapacitated or otherwise unable to comply with the provisions of this section;

(3) The citation is being issued to an unattended vehicle in violation of § 21-1003 of this article; or

(4) The citation is being issued to an unattended motor vehicle in violation of § 13-402 of this article.

(b) On issuing a traffic citation, the police officer [shall request the person to sign the statement on the citation acknowledging its receipt.]:

(1) SHALL ASK THE PERSON TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A COPY OF THE CITATION, AS REQUIRED UNDER § 1-605 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE; AND

(2) If the person refuses to [sign, the police officer] DO SO, shall advise the person that failure to [sign] ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT may lead to the person's arrest.

(c) (1) On being advised that failure to [sign] ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A COPY OF A CITATION may lead to [his] arrest, the person may not refuse to [sign] ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT.

(2) If the person continues to refuse to [sign] DO SO, the police officer may arrest the person for violation of this section or, as provided in § 26-202(a)(5) of this subtitle, for the original charge, or both.

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(a) (1) A person shall comply with the notice to appear contained[:

(1) In a traffic citation issued to the person under this subtitle; or

(2) In a summons, other writ,] IN A WRIT or a trial notice issued by either the District Court or a circuit court in an action on a traffic citation.

(2) UNLESS THE PERSON CHARGED DEMANDS AN EARLIER HEARING, A TIME SPECIFIED TO APPEAR SHALL BE AT LEAST 5 DAYS AFTER THE ALLEGED VIOLATION.