

**IN THE MUNICIPAL AND AREA COURTS
COUNTY OF BUTLER, OHIO**

UNIFORM BAIL SCHEDULE

Pursuant to Rule 5.02 of the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio, Criminal Rule 46 and R.C. 2937.22, the following bail schedule is adopted and ordered for *all new traffic and misdemeanor charges* filed in the Municipal and Area Courts located in Butler County, Ohio.

Personal recognizance is the rule. There shall be no scheduled money bail for new charges unless specifically stated below.

A. When a Judge or Magistrate has previously set bail in a case, or has ordered a new amount in its last *capias* or warrant entry, that bail shall remain in effect unless otherwise ordered.

B. An accused arrested for the following offense(s) shall have his/her bail set by the Judge or Magistrate:

1. All Felony charges.

2. Misdemeanor charges of violence (regardless of whether charged under the Ohio Revised Code, local ordinance or other statutory provision) as follows:

<i>Domestic Violence</i>	<i>Aggravated Menacing</i>	<i>Child Endangering</i>	<i>Arson</i>
<i>Protective Order Violation</i>	<i>Menacing</i>	<i>Inciting to Violence</i>	<i>Intimidation</i>
<i>Menacing by Stalking</i>	<i>Vehicular Homicide</i>	<i>Inducing Panic</i>	<i>Escape</i>
<i>Assault</i>	<i>Vehicular Manslaughter</i>	<i>Sexual Imposition</i>	<i>Riot</i>

3. A driver charged with Operating a Motor Vehicle While Impaired for the third time within the past ten (10) years.

C. For misdemeanor charge(s) only, if the arresting law enforcement officer, based on the circumstances of the case, has reasonable cause to believe that personal recognizance is insufficient or the accused poses a risk of harm, the bail shall be set as follows:


Level of Offense	Bail Amount	Bail shall be posted in cash, surety and/or property. The surcharge of \$25 as defined in Ohio Revised Code 2937.22 shall also be collected.
First degree	\$ 1,000.00	
Second degree	750.00	
Third degree	500.00	
Fourth degree	250.00	
Unclassified	150.00	

When the accused is charged with multiple misdemeanor offenses, bail shall only be assessed on the highest level misdemeanor offense. The remaining misdemeanor charge(s) shall be personal recognizance.


If the arresting law enforcement officer or the Prosecutor has reasonable cause to believe that the bail amount indicated above is insufficient, he/she shall contact the Judge or Magistrate for authority to increase the bail amount and/or to set conditions of release pursuant to Criminal Rule 46.

This uniform bail schedule is effective September 29, 2021, for all new charges filed in the Municipal and Area Courts of Butler County, Ohio, and supersedes any previous bail and/or bond schedules.


IT IS SO ORDERED.



Judge Daniel J. Gattermeyer
Hamilton Municipal Court



Judge Joyce A. Campbell
Fairfield Municipal Court



Judge James E. Sherron
Middletown Municipal Court



Administrative Judge Robert H. Lyons
Butler County Area Courts I, II & III