

**MAUMEE MUNICIPAL COURT
DEFENDANT'S RIGHTS**

_____, Defendant

Defendant was advised by the Court of the following rights and before entering a plea, Defendant affirms and understands that:

1. I have the right to an attorney and the right to a reasonable continuance to secure one and that the Court will appoint an attorney for me if I cannot afford one;
2. I have the right to have the nature of the charges and possible penalties explained to me;
3. I have a right to bail for a bailable offense;
4. I have the right to have my case tried by a jury or judge;
5. I have a right to a reasonable continuance of my trial if I request;
6. I have the right to question any witnesses who testify against me;
7. I have the right to present witnesses on my behalf and to subpoena them to appear in court;
8. I cannot be forced to make a statement at any point in the proceedings; but that any statement made by me is recorded and may be used against me;
9. The state must prove all elements of the charges beyond a reasonable doubt;
10. A plea of Guilty is a complete admission of the truth of the facts in the complaint and of my guilt of the charge brought by the state;
11. A plea of No Contest is an admission of the truth of the facts in the complaint but not an admission of guilt, however it permits the Court to make a finding of guilty or not guilty. Such a plea cannot be used against me in any future civil or criminal proceeding arising out of the same set of circumstances;
12. If I enter a plea of Guilty or No Contest, I waive all of these rights and the Court shall impose sentence without unnecessary delay;
13. If I am convicted of a traffic violation, a record of any conviction will be sent to the Ohio BMV and become part of my driving record and any action of the Ohio BMV is independent of this Court;
14. If I am not a citizen of the United States, pleading Guilty or No Contest to the offense that I am charged with may lead to my deportation, exclusion from admission to the United States or denial of naturalization; and,
15. If I am on probation or parole a plea of Guilty or No Contest may violate any probation or parole.

_____ Date _____
Defendant's Signature