

## Challaning of vehicle - Frequently Asked Questions

### 1: What is Challaning of vehicle?

**A:** Challaning is the process of prosecution by enforcement agencies for and under Motor Vehicle Act. Challan is a document prepared by the enforcement agency for prosecution of an offence under Motor Vehicle Act.

### 2: What is impounding of vehicle?

**A:** Impounding of vehicle is to retain a vehicle by the enforcement agencies for an offence committed under Motor Vehicle Act. Impounded vehicle is released after the challan is either compounded or disposed

### 3: What is Compounding of challans?

**A:** Compounding of challans under Motor Vehicle Act mean settlement between the enforcement agencies and the offender by which challan is disposed of through depositing of notified fee by the offender.

### 4: Under what circumstances your vehicle can be challaned?

**A:** Enforcement agencies deploy its team for regulating, monitoring, enforcing the Motor Vehicle Act.

You may be stopped by one of these teams. You may be asked to produce the following documents in original:

- I. Driving license
- II. Registration book of vehicle
- III. Insurance certificate
- IV. Pollution under control certificate
- V. Permits (for commercial vehicles only)
- VI. Certificate of fitness (for commercial vehicles only)
- VII. Road Tax Receipt (for commercial vehicles only)
- VIII. If you are not carrying the above mentioned documents or found violating any of the Traffic Rules/Regulations, you may be challaned

### 5: What happens when your vehicle is challaned? What happens immediately?

**A:** Prosecution slip/challan will be issued to you containing the following details:

- I. Name and address of the court where the offence will be trialed.
- II. Details of offence committed.
- III. Date of trial
- IV. Vehicle details

- V. Name and address of offender
- VI. Name and signature of the challaning officer
- VII. Details of documents retained

Besides this vehicle documents or your vehicle may also be impounded or both depending on gravity of violation.

### **6: How can you get the challan disposed of?**

**A: You have two options:**

#### **a) DISPOSAL OF CHALLAN BY COMPOUNDING**

i) If you are challaned by traffic police

The challaning officer may compound the challan at the spot itself by depositing the notified amount.

ii) If you are challaned by Transport Department

Your challan will be compounded by the duty officer at Asstt. Director of Transport, (Enf), North, North-Panaji-Goa. Junta-House, Panaji-Goa and Asstt. Director of Transport, (Enf) South-Margao-Goa. Goa Agricultural Marketing Produce Committee Bldg., Arlem, Margao-Goa between 10.00AM to 4.00PM on any working day. (Remember only certain offences can be compounded)

#### **b) DISPOSAL OF CHALLAN IN THE COURT**

For disposal in the Court you have to appear in the court on the date and place mentioned the challan.

You will be trialed by the court depending upon whether you plead guilty or not.

If you plead guilty court may impose penalty on the facts and circumstances of the case.

If you do not plead guilty you may be asked by the court to submit the ground/documents on the basis of which you do not plead guilty.

After hearing you and the challaning officer, the court will decide the case.

### **7: How will you get your impounded documents released?**

**A: From the court, if challan is to be disposed of in the court.**

From enforcement agency, if challan is compounded.