

Equipment Violations

A parking citation can be issued for equipment violations. The penalty can be reduced to a \$10 processing fee with timely proof of correction. A duly authorized officer must visually inspect the correction and sign the parking citation or *Notice of Illegal Parking* attesting to the correction.

VERIFICATION FROM CONTESTEE

For proof of correction and reduction of fine only:

1. The parking citation or *Notice of Illegal Parking* with a valid signature from a duly authorized officer or individual if submitting proof of correction

For invalid or erroneously issued citations:

1. Evidence or documentation showing the vehicle was not in violation of the code and that the equipment item cited was operational per Vehicle Code requirements

VERIFICATION BY INVESTIGATION

1. Verify authenticity of officer sign-off
2. Review officer notes for details supporting the violation

DECISION

If evidence or investigation sufficiently substantiates that the vehicle was not in violation at the time cited or that the equipment cited was operational per Vehicle Code requirements then the citation should be dismissed.

If valid proof of correction showing the correction was completed within the period allowed for appeal then the citation should be upheld and the violation penalty reduced to \$10. All other citations should be upheld.

DISMISSAL AUTHORITY: California Vehicle Code §40215 (a)(1)

Comment: Equipment violations are usually issued by sworn Officers, since the violations are generally observed while the vehicle is in operation, not parked.