

## **ROAD TRANSPORT AND SAFETY AGENCY**

## PRESS RELEASE

## THE RTSA SECURES 1,705 CONVICTIONS IN THE LUSAKA FAST TRACK COURT IN THE 2nd QUARTER OF 2019

**LUSAKA**, **July 12**<sup>th</sup>, **2019** -The Road Transport and Safety Agency (RTSA) has secured 1,705 convictions in the Lusaka Fast Track Court on Traffic offences from April to June this year.

The highest convictions were for Expired Road Tax with 534 convictions, Expired Test Certificate with 374, Use of Hand held phone with 269 convictions, Dangerous driving with 276 convictions, Uninsured or Expired with 261 convictions, Unlicensed drivers with 206 convictions, Obstruction of Roadway by Motor vehicle with 158 use of Unregistered vehicle with 158 convictions driving, Driving a Motor vehicle in a Dangerous condition with 79 and Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol with 32 convictions.

Other offences that resulted in convictions were Alighting, Unsecured load, Failure to obey lawful instructions, Failure to obey traffic signs, Failure to secure a minor and Failure to wear seatbelt, Affixing false tokens, Affixing false registration mark, Careless driving, Contravening SI 76 regulations, expired Certificate of Fitness Expired Identity and Plying for hire and reward.

This is from a total of 2,694 cases taken to the Fast Track Court in the 2<sup>nd</sup> guarter of 2019.

The RTSA has noted with concern the high number of motorists flouting rules and regulations by defaulting payments for Road Tax and Test Certificates. Motor vehicle owners are therefore urged to comply as payment for these services is law.

The RTSA would like to remind members of the public to adhere to traffic rules and regulations as the Agency is committed to sustaining its traffic law enforcement programmes, which are being complemented with road safety education countrywide.

This is in an effort to ensure total compliance among motorist and provide safety to all road users.

Members of the public are also implored to be proactive and make use of the RTSA Call Centre by reporting bad, careless and dangerous drivers on the Toll Free Line - 983 and the WhatsApp line 0965 429499.

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