## DOWNEY POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## New LA County D.A. Guidelines – 14601 VC

Effective immediately, the District Attorney's Office will no longer file charges of Driving on a Suspended License unless it is for DUI (14601.2(a) VC) or if the offender has two prior convictions of Driving on a Suspended License within the last two years. If the suspension does not meet either criterion, issue the citation for 12500(a) VC and mark "I" for Infraction. If the suspension is for DUI, continue to issue the citation for 14601.2(a) VC. If the violator has two prior convictions for Driving on a Suspended License within the last two years, continue to issue the citation for 14601.1(a) VC.

Misdemeanor charges of 12500(a) VC will also be rejected. All charges of 12500(a) VC should be marked as an Infraction.

The department will temporarily record data on how many citations issued for 12500(a) VC (Infraction) should have been issued as 14601.1(a) VC or 12500(a) VC (Misdemeanor). On the violation section of the citation please include (Advised on 14601) or (Advised on 12500 Misd.) Officers are still able to impound vehicles for one day (22651(p) VC) at the officer's discretion. Officers can still impound vehicles for 30 days for an IID violation.