Plea by Mail Form

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<u>Under R. 7:12-3, use of the Plea by Mail form is permitted in all traffic and parking cases except:</u>

- (a) Those traffic offenses or parking offenses that require the imposition of a mandatory loss of driving privileges on conviction;
- (b) Those involving an accident that resulted in personal injury to anyone other than the defendant:
- (c) Those related to non-traffic matters that are not resolved; and
- (d) Any other offense when excusing the defendant's appearance in municipal court would not be in the interest of justice.

<u>Under R. 7:6-3 the Plea by Mail form may be used to enter a plea of guilty in non-traffic and non-parking cases, except:</u>

- (a) Cases involving the imposition of a mandatory term of incarceration on conviction, unless defendant is currently incarcerated and the mandatory term of incarceration would be served concurrently, and would not extend the period of incarceration;
- (b) Cases involving an issue as to the identity of the defendant;
- (c) Cases involving acts of domestic violence;
- (d) Cases where the prosecution intends to seek the imposition of a custodial term in the event of a conviction, unless defendant is currently incarcerated, and the proposed term of incarceration would not extend the period of incarceration and would be served concurrently; and
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