

Fine notice General administrative offences

Competent Department

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Basic information

A fine is the punishment of an administrative offense. In addition to the amount of the fine, the fine notice also contains fees and expenses. The fee is 5% of the fine imposed, but at least 25.00 euros and expenses of 3.50 euros.

Requirements

- Disorderly conduct

Procedure

After receiving a fine notice, you have the option of paying the fine within four weeks or lodging an objection within two weeks.

Please note that an objection by e-mail does not constitute an effective objection.

If you lodge an objection to a fine notice, the fines office will first check whether the case can be discontinued.

If the case cannot be dropped, the objection is submitted to the competent court via the public prosecutor's office. If it is handed over to the court, a judge will decide on the fine. In addition to legal fees, court costs may also be incurred.

If the proceedings are discontinued by the court, the state will pay the court costs.

Legal bases

- [Gesetz über Ordnungswidrigkeiten \(OWiG\)](#)

What deadlines must be paid attention to?

2 weeks Objection period

4 weeks Payment deadline

What are the costs?

Fine plus fees amounting to 5% of the fine (minimum 25.00 euros) and 3.50 euros in expenses

In the event of an objection, the following costs may be incurred:

- Fine plus fees amounting to 5% of the fine (at least 25.00 euros) and 3.50 euros in expenses
- lawyer's fees
- court costs