

Police citations



A police citation (comparendo) is a fine. For a foreigner, enough of them can cost you the right to stay.

The case

- September 2026, Riohacha: Migración Colombia expelled a Venezuelan man for 10 years for repeated offenses against public order. He had 7 police citations. ^[1] ^[2]
- The same migration rules cover every foreigner in Colombia.

Unpaid fines

- The Police say interest starts after the first month, and after 90 days the fine goes to forced collection. ^[3]

Do this

- Pay any fine on time.
- Check your own record online in the Police's registry of corrective measures (RNMC), with your ID number and its issue date. ^[4]

SOURCES (click to open)

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