

National Standards for the Management of Offenders in England and Wales

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National Standards for the Management Offenders 2011

National Standards for the Management of Offenders (2011) provide a practice framework for practitioners and managers. They are published by the Secretary of State under the provisions of the Offender Management Act 2007 (Chapter 21: Part1 paragraph 7)

One of their functions is to relate those activities covered by the Standards to the objectives of implementing sentences of the court in accordance with one or more of the purposes of sentencing:

- The punishment of offenders
- Reducing crime
- The reform and rehabilitation of offenders
- The protection of the public
- The making of reparation by offenders to persons affected by their offences

Record keeping

- Contacts with or with reference to the offender are recorded using designated recording systems
- Records are kept safely and securely, and are accessible to appropriate parties

Court Services

- Courts are provided with information to support their decision making
- Sentencing decisions and information from court proceedings are communicated to all relevant parties

Assessment

- An assessment is completed and information shared
- A report is prepared for decision making bodies

Allocation of offender manager

• The identity of the offender manager is unambiguous at all times

Plan the sentence

A written sentence plan is prepared post-sentence

Implement the sentence

- Purposeful contact is maintained during a custodial element of the sentence
- Purposeful contact is made with the offender promptly after order commencement/release on licence
- The sentence plan is implemented
- Engagement with community resources is promoted as an integral part of implementing the sentence plan
- Transfer is administered to maintain effective management of the offender and the sentence
- The sentence is enforced

Review

- The assessment is reviewed and updated
- The sentence plan is reviewed and updated

Evaluate

- An evaluation of the extent to which the objectives of the sentence have been achieved is undertaken
- Termination of the order/licence is managed

Victims

• The statutory duties in respect of victims are undertaken

Approved Premises

- Prospective residents are identified and referred
- A residence plan is prepared
- Residents undertake a planned programme

Community Order Requirements

Activity Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the activity requirement
- The offender undertakes the activity requirement

Alcohol Treatment Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the alcohol treatment requirement
- The offender undertakes the alcohol treatment requirement

Attendance Centre Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the attendance centre requirement
- The offender undertakes the attendance centre requirement

Curfew Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the curfew requirement/licence condition/Home Detention Curfew (HDC)
- The offender undertakes the curfew requirement/licence condition/Home Detention Curfew (HDC)

Drug Rehabilitation Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the drug rehabilitation requirement/drug treatment licence condition
- The offender undertakes the drug rehabilitation requirement/drug treatment licence condition

Exclusion Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the exclusion requirement
- The offender undertakes the exclusion requirement

Mental Health Treatment

- The offender is prepared for the mental health treatment requirement
- The offender undertakes the mental health treatment requirement

Programme Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the programme requirement
- The offender undertakes the programme requirement

Prohibited Activity Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the prohibited activity requirement
- The offender undertakes the prohibited activity requirement

Residence Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the residence requirement
- The offender undertakes the residence requirement

Supervision Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the supervision requirement
- The offender undertakes the supervision requirement

Unpaid Work Requirement

- The offender is prepared for the unpaid work requirement
- The offender undertakes the unpaid work requirement