

Will Information Be Made Known To The Public?

Information about a registered person is not normally made known to members of the public, unless it is clearly necessary to protect someone from being seriously harmed. As the law stands the public do not have a general right to know the information held by the police.

Further Questions?

If you have any questions about registration you should contact a prescribed police station. If you dispute the registration requirement(s) in any way you should seek the advice of a solicitor. It is better to comply with registration, and then get any errors remedied, rather than fail to do so.

Equal Opportunities

Derbyshire Probation Trust is committed to ensuring that it operates fairly and consistently and avoids discrimination on the grounds of race, nationality, ethnic origin, gender, age, disability, religion, sexual orientation or any other improper ground.

If you feel you have been discriminated against, please discuss this with a member of staff and this will be dealt with accordingly.

Dealing with Complaints

If you have a problem, please speak to a member of staff.

If you wish to take the matter further, please ask for the leaflet which tells you about our Complaints Procedure.

Your Views are Important

We are committed to continuous improvement in all areas of our work. Your views on how we might provide a better service are most welcome.

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Information about Sex Offender Registration

This leaflet gives general information about the notification requirements and other implications of registration under the Sex Offender Act 1997.

Information for Offenders

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Cruelty to children must stop. FULL STOP.

Sex Offender Registration: What Does it Mean?

Under the Sex Offender Act 1997, as updated by the Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000, any person who has been convicted or cautioned since 1 September 1997 for a sexual offence listed under Schedule 1 of the Act, or was subject to a custodial or community sentence for such an offence at that date must:

- Notify the police within 3 days of their name, date of birth and home address at the time of the conviction, caution or finding.
- Also notify the police of their current name (including other names they use) and their sole or main residence in the U.K. (or if they have no such residence, any premises they regularly visit) if either are different from the name or address at the time of conviction, etc.
- Submit on initial notification to having their fingerprints and photograph taken.

N.B. These notifications can only be given by attending at a police station prescribed for the purpose.

A person must in addition:-

- Notify the police of any changes to the name or home address they have registered within 14 days of any change.
- Notify the police of any address where they reside or stay for 14 days or longer; this means either 14 days at a time or a total of 14 days in any 12 month period.

N.B. These notifications can be given by attending at, or by writing to, a prescribed police station.

These requirements also apply to any person

admitted to Hospital under a Restriction Order because of a relevant sexual offence.

From time to time, and not less than annually, the police will visit the notified address to confirm the registration details.

Does This Apply Wherever I Live?

The notification requirements apply to all parts of the U.K., but not to places outside the U.K., although other countries may have their own arrangements.

Can I Go Abroad?

If you intend to travel abroad for 8 days or more you must inform the police not less than 24 hours beforehand of:-

- The date of your departure
- Which country you will (first) travel to
- When and where you will arrive in that country

You must also provide the following information, including any changes to the details you may already have given which arise up to 48 hours before the departure time:-

- Where you will arrive in any countries visited after the first one
- The carrier (e.g. airline) you will use from and to the U.K. and between other countries outside it
- Accommodation arrangements for your first night outside the U.K.
- Date of re-entry to the U.K.
- Place of arrival on return to the U.K.

If the date or place of re-entry to the UK is not known, or the arrangements change, you must

report in person to the police within 8 days of your return.

For How Long Does Registration Last?

All registration periods run from the date of conviction or caution. How long the registration requirements last will depend upon the type and length of sentence imposed, or caution administered.

30 months imprisonment or more	-	Indefinite period
Admitted to hospital with a Restriction order	-	Indefinite period
Less than 30 months but more than 6 months imprisonment	-	10 Years
6 months imprisonment or less	-	7 Years
Any other sentence*	-	5 Years
Except for indefinite registrations all the above periods are halved for offenders aged 17 and under.		
*This includes cautions, final warnings and reprimands.		

What Happens If I Don't Comply?

A person who fails to comply with any of the registration requirements, or provides the police with false information can be sent to prison for up to 5 years, or fined, or both.

Are There Other Consequences?

There may be other consequences. If you visit, stay or live in a household where there are children, for example, and especially if your offence is one of those which also falls under Schedule 1 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1933, the Social Services Department may have a duty to investigate whether any child is at risk of harm. It could also affect which jobs you can do. And if you behave in a way that gives reasonable cause to believe the public needs to be protected from a risk of serious harm the police can apply to the court for a Sex Offender Order, which would prohibit you from doing certain things.