

# Your Obligations as a Reportable Offender

This booklet is to assist you, the Reportable Offender, (or the person supporting you) to understand your reporting obligations.

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# What is the Community Protection (Offender Reporting) Act 2004?

The Community Protection (Offender Reporting) Act 2004 (the CPOR Act) requires the Commissioner of Police to establish a register in Western Australia (WA). It requires certain persons to report their whereabouts and personal details to police for a period of time.

## What is the aim of The CPOR Act?

The aim is to protect the public by having information available to the WA Police to enable the effective monitoring and management of Reportable Offenders to reduce the likelihood of reoffending.

Community safety is best achieved by helping you, the Reportable Offender, to be settled, stable and safe. Having up to date information on what is happening in your life means factors or risks that could lead to reoffending can be identified. Action can then be taken to keep both you and the community safe.

## Who is a Reportable Offender?

If you have been sentenced for a reportable offence listed in the Act or a court has ordered you to comply with the reporting requirements of the Act, you will be referred to as a Reportable Offender. As a Reportable Offender, you must report to police and provide them with your personal details, for a set period of time.

## Who is an authorised person?

An authorised person means a police officer or person prescribed by the regulations.

#### **METROPOLITAN**



Once registered, you will be allocated to a team at the Serious Offender Enforcement Squad (SOES), WA Police.

They will help you to understand what is required to comply with your reporting requirements.

#### **REGIONAL**



Once registered, you will be made aware of who to report to at your local police station.

They will help you to understand what is required to comply with your reporting requirements.

## How to report personal details?



IN PERSON TO AN AUTHORISED PERSON

Refer to page 13 for 'Online Reporting'

**ELECTRONIC REPORTING** 

## What information do you have to report?

WITHIN 24 HOURS



#### REPORTABLE CONTACT WITH CHILDREN (UNDER 18 YEARS)

Reportable contact details of each reportable contact you:

Have with a child; or

Likely to have with a child within the period of 12-months after the day on

### Reportable Contact:

Supervises, visits, or stays; or Exchange contact details; or Befriends or attempts to befriend the child.

### Reportable Contact Details:

Name, age, residential address of each child; and

Name, residential address, and contact details of the child's parent or guardian and details related to the reportable contact.

**WITHIN 3 DAYS** 



#### **ADDRESS**

The address of each premises at which you generally reside.

If you do not generally reside at any particular premises, then the name of the localities in which you can generally be found.

Each other premises you own or rent, have control or management of (including storage facilities). **WITHIN 3 DAYS** 



## EMPLOYMENT/ PRACTICAL TRAINING / VOLUNTEER WORK

If working: Under a contract of employment; or Volunteer for an organisation; or

Self-employed; or

Subcontractor; or

Undertaking practical training (education); and

Minister of religion or in any capacity for the purposes of a religious organisation.

Nature of employment, including job description and specific days of employment;

The name of their employer;

The address of each of the premises at which you are generally employed or if not generally employed at any particular premises, the name of each of the localities in which you are generally employed after a period of 3 days within a 12-month period.

**WITHIN 3 DAYS** 



#### **VEHICLE OWNED**

Make, model, colour, and registration number of each motor vehicle you own, or you generally drive.

You need to report any vehicle, including a caravan, boat, or aircraft.

Photographs may be taken of reported vehicle/s.

#### **VEHICLE DRIVEN**

After a period of 3 days within a 12-month period.

#### **WITHIN 7 DAYS**



#### INTERNET **ACCOUNTS / ISP**

The name of each Internet service provider (ISP) whose Internet carriage service you are supplied with or regularly use.

Each name you use or are known, when using each of the following: the internet for the purposes of communication, an electronic communication service or an incidental communication application.

The name or URL of each website. electronic communication service or an incidental communication application.

Each user name, code, password, or other information that you use to gain access to: the internet or a particular website (other than a banking website), an email address, electronic communication service or an incidental communication application.

#### **WITHIN 7 DAYS**



#### **TELEPHONE NUMBER**

Each telephone number you have or regularly use.

#### **EMAIL ADDRESS**

Each email addresses you have or regularly use, and the associated password.

#### **DEVICE LOGIN / ACCESS DETAILS**

Each device you use to access the internet. along with the associated code/password/pattern of the device. E.g. Mobile phone, laptop, iPad, computer console.

#### **BANK/FINANCIAL** INSTITUTION

The name of each authorised deposittaking institution, or other prescribed financial service provider, with which vou have an account or dealings.

#### **WITHIN 7 DAYS**



#### NAME/DOB/SEX or **GENDER**

Names, previous names, date of birth and sex or gender changes.

#### **FOREIGN CITIZENSHIP**

Details of each foreign citizenship you hold, including the name of the country for which it is held.

#### **PASSPORT**

Details of each passport you hold, including its number and expiry date and the name of the country of issue.

#### CLUBS/ **ORGANISATIONS**

Details of all affiliations with each club or organisation that has child members or that conducts activities in which children participate. E.g. Gym, Churches, TAFE.

#### **TATTOO**

Details of each tattoo or removal tattoo.

#### **SCAR / MARK**

Details of each permanent distinguishing mark /scar you have that has been removed).

#### **WITHIN 7 DAYS**



#### GOVERNMENT **CUSTODY 14 DAYS OR MORE**

If you have been in government custody for 14 or more consecutive davs.

Must report your personal details within 7 days of being released.

If you were in government custody as a:

Prisoner; Detainee; Mentally impaired accused: or In immigration detention.

#### **FOUND GUILTY IN FOREIGN** JURISDICTION

## Can you travel or go on a holiday?



TRAVEL WITHIN
WA
(FOR 7 OR MORE
DAYS)



TRAVEL
OUTSIDE OF
WA
(INTERSTATE)



TRAVELLING OVERSEAS



CHANGE TO TRAVEL DETAILS (BEFORE OR DURING TRAVEL)



RETURNING TO WA FROM INTERSTATE OR OVERSEAS

#### **WHAT TO REPORT**

You must provide travel dates, itinerary, method of travel, addresses where you are staying and if any children are likely to be present. You must provide method of travel, departure, and arrival dates, itinerary and addresses where you are staying and if any children are likely to be present. You must complete an application form for approval to travel. This must be done prior to bookings being made.

Allow time for the application to be considered.

You must provide details of any changes.

You must provide documentation to confirm all details of travel.

#### WHEN TO REPORT

AT LEAST 7 DAYS PRIOR TO TRAVEL WITHIN WA AT LEAST 7 DAYS PRIOR TO LEAVING WA AS SOON AS DECISION IS MADE TO TRAVEL

AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

WITHIN 7 DAYS OF RETURNING TO WA



#### **NORO INTERVIEW**

» You will be required to report in person to a police officer for your NORO interview. At the completion, you will be advised of your next interview appointment date and time.



#### **UPDATING ANY CHANGES**

» You must update any changes to your personal details. Refer to page  $5\ \&\ 6$ .



#### **TRAVEL**

## Failure to comply, or provide false or misleading information

FINE UP TO

\$24,000

AND/OR

5 YEARS

IMPRISONMENT

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU FAIL TO COMPLY WITH YOUR REPORTING OBLIGATIONS?

You can be arrested and charged if you fail to comply with your reporting obligations.

If you are charged and convicted of failing to comply with your reporting obligations, the penalty is up to \$24,000 and/or imprisonment of up to 5 years.

## WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU PROVIDE FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION?

If you or any other person provides false or misleading information, you may be liable for a fine of up to \$24,000 and/or imprisonment of up to 5 years.

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## **Reporting duration adults**

## 8 YEARS 15 YEARS LIFE

#### **HOW LONG WILL YOU BE REQUIRED TO REPORT?**

You will have to report for either 8 years, 15 years or for life, depending on the type of offence committed by you and/or the number of offences.

Registration starts on the day you are released from government custody into the community, or on the day you have been sentenced to a non-custodial sentence by the court.

If you go into government custody, your reporting requirements are suspended and start again once you are released from custody.



#### WHAT HAPPENS AT THE END OF YOUR REPORTING PERIOD?

At the end of your reporting period, you will no longer be required to update your information, unless you change your name. You will also still be subject to section 557K(6) of *The Criminal Code* (WA).

## WHAT IF YOU COMMIT ANOTHER REPORTABLE OFFENCE WHILST YOU ARE ON THE REGISTER?

If you are convicted of another reportable offence, the time you are required to report will be extended.



## CIRCUMSTANCES WHEREBY YOUR REPORTING REQUIREMENTS WILL SUSPENDED OR EXTENDED

If you spend any time in government custody, your reporting will be suspended for that time and will then be extended for that period of time upon release.

## **Reporting duration Juveniles**

4 YEARS 7.5 YEARS

#### **HOW LONG WILL YOU BE REQUIRED TO REPORT?**

You will have to report for either 4 years or, 7 years and 6 months, depending on the type of the offence you committed and/or the number of offences.

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## **FAQ's - Additional Information**



### DO YOU GET A RECEIPT FOR REPORTING OR UPDATING INFORMATION?

Yes, you are entitled to a receipt or a unique reference number when updating information

## CAN SOMEONE REPORT OR UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION ON YOUR BEHALF?

If you are a child, have a disability that makes it impossible or impracticable to make a report, then a parent, guardian, carer, or other adult person nominated, and approved by an authorised person can do so on your behalf.

You need to discuss this with an authorised person and provide consent to report on your behalf.



## YOU HAVE BEEN IN GOVERNMENT CUSTODY SINCE YOU LAST REPORTED, WHAT DO YOU DO?

If you have been in government custody for 14 days or more, you need to report to an authorised person within 7 days of your release.

## DOES YOUR REPORTING REQUIREMENTS IMPACT THE REGISTER AND OTHER SENTENCES/ORDERS/ ELECTRONIC MONITORING?

Your reporting requirements are additional to any sentence or order requirements you may have.



## YOUR OBLIGATIONS UNDER SECTION 557K(6) OFTHE CRIMINAL CODE

As a Reportable Offender, under section 557K(6) of the Criminal Code, you must not, without reasonable excuse, be in or near a place where children are regularly present (i.e. a school, child care centre, playground). The penalty is a maximum of 2 years imprisonment and/or a fine of \$24,000.

#### WHAT IF YOU WANT TO CHANGE YOUR NAME?

You must apply on writing to the Serious Offender Registry for approval to change your name.





#### WHO HAS ACCESS TO YOUR INFORMATION?

Only authorised persons have access to your information. Your information is not publicly available and cannot be accessed by any unauthorised person.

## CAN ANY OF YOUR INFORMATION BE RELEASED BY THE POLICE?

Yes, if you are an adult your details may be placed on the Community Protection website, if any of the following occur:

- » You fail to comply with reporting requirements and police are unaware of your current whereabouts.
- » You commit a further reportable offence whilst a reportable offender.
- » There are concerns for public safety.



### CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE YOUR INFORMATION WILL BE RELEASED TO A THIRD PARTY

Your information may be provided to an external government agency. This government agency may inform a parent or guardian of a child, a teacher or regular caregiver of a child, or someone responsible for the custody or wellbeing of a child, if it is believed you pose a threat, or a risk to the life, welfare, or sexual safety of a child or children.

There are disclosure protocols for releasing information. Any person who unlawfully discloses your information, commits an offence.

#### YOUR RIGHT TO PRIVACY

You are entitled to report in private. if you require you can bring along a support person of your choice.

If required, an interpreter can be present when you attend your meetings. The interpreter will need to sign an undertaking not to disclose any information, unless required by law.

## **Online Reporting**



Scan the QR code above to gain direct access to the online portal.

You can use this portal to tell us about any changes to your personal details as required under the *Community Protection (Offender Reporting) Act 2004* 

- This portal is the only way to report changes online.
- Your report is secure and will only be seen by authorised officers of the Western Australia Police Force.
- This portal is not monitored live, so you will not receive an immediate response.
  - For assistance regarding the portal please contact the Serious Offender Registry on 1800 300 400 between 8:00am and 4:00pm Monday Friday (excluding public holidays).

#### **HOW TO USE THE QR CODE:**

Open your smart phone's camera and point it at the QR code. Tap the link that appears to open the portal.

#### **DON'T HAVE A PHONE OR INTERNET ACCESS?**

You can visit in person to report your change in personal details.

**Metropolitan Western Australia** – attend the Serious Offender Enforcement Squad **Regional Western Australia** – attend a local police station

## **Support services**

If you have any further queries, contact the WA Police who are responsible for the management and monitoring of Reportable Offenders in WA:

- > Talk to an authorised person from Serious Offender Registry 1800 300 400 or email Serious.Offender.Registry@police.wa.gov.au
- The Community Protection (Offender Reporting) Act 2004 is available at WALW - Community Protection (Offender Reporting) Act 2004 - Home Page

Lifeline Phone: 13 11 14

Bevond Blue Free call: 1300 224 636

Web: <a href="https://www.beyondblue.org.au/">https://www.beyondblue.org.au/</a>

Alcohol, Drug and Mental Phone Perth: 9442 5000

Health Services Country: 1800 198 024

Web: Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Support

Service | ADMHSS

Department of Foreign Web: Homepage | Australian Government

Affairs and Trade Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Web: Information for reportable offenders |

**Australian Passport Office** 

Multicultural Services Phone: (08) 9328 2699

Centre Web: Home - MSCWA

Yorgum Healing Services Free call: 1800 469 371

Web: Yorgum Healing Services Aboriginal

<u>Corporation – Providing all Aboriginal people with</u> culturally secure, community-based healing.

Headspace Free call: 1800 650 890

Web: <a href="https://headspace.org.au/online-and-">https://headspace.org.au/online-and-</a>

phone-support/

1800RESPECT Free call: 1800 737 732

Web: https://www.1800respect.org.au/

Outcare Phone: (08) 6262 8622

Web: Outcare - Justice Support in Western

<u>Australia</u>

Office of Multicultural Phone: (08) 6552 7300

Interests Web: Office of Multicultural Interests

STOP It Now Australia Free call: 1800 01 1800

Web: Stop It Now! Australia

Blue Knot Free call: 1300 657 380

Web: Blue Knot Helpline and Redress Support

<u>Service</u>

The Samaritans Helpline – Free call: 0863 839 850

Free WA based mental health service Web: https://thesamaritans.org.au/

Kids Helpline Free call: 1800 55 1800

Web: https://kidshelpline.com.au/

Australian Psychological Free call: 1800 333 497

Society Web: https://psychology.org.au/

Anglicare WA – Housing Free call:1300 11 44 46

and Homelessness

Web: https://www.anglicarewa.org.au/get-

help/housing-and-homelessness

Entry Point Perth - Free call: 1800 124 684

Homelessness assistance Web:https://www.entrypointperth.com.au/services/

**Note:** This booklet is an overview of information to assist Reportable Offenders who are subject to reporting obligations. It does not replace the legislation and is to be used as a guide only.

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