

Senior Attendance Centre Order

Participating
in a **positive**
future

About your sentence

The Court has decided that you need to regularly go to an Attendance Centre to participate in a group programme that is designed to help you with life skills and offer desistance based activities.

The Attendance Centre will be held at a place in the community, such as a school. A person called the 'Officer in Charge' will supervise you when you are at the Centre. They will have experience of working with participants and will explain the details of the Attendance Centre Requirement to you.

The Court will have ordered you to attend between 12 and 36 hours in total but you will not have to attend for more than 3 hours per day. The Centre may be close to where you live but you may have a journey of up to 90 minutes in each direction to get to and from the Centre. Travel time does not count towards completing the hours that the Court has ordered you to do at the Centre. If you cannot pay for your travel, the Officer in Charge may be able to help you with this but you will need to discuss this and prove that you cannot pay.

If you have any other requirements such as Rehabilitation Activity Requirement days, Unpaid Work or a programme in your sentence, you will have a responsible officer.

Your responsible officer or Officer in Charge will:

- explain your sentence to you;
- discuss the plan for your sentence;
- tell you about the Attendance Centre;
- make clear what the rules of the Centre are, when you have to go there and what activities you will be doing;
- tell you what will happen if you do not go to the Attendance Centre;
- arrange for you to be taken back to Court if you do not co-operate or comply with your Order;
- review your progress and work with you to help you complete your sentence successfully; and
- treat you fairly.

It is important that you:

- listen carefully to what the Officer in Charge (and your responsible officer) says and do what they ask you to do;
- stick to the Attendance Centre rules;
- turn up for appointments on time;
- stay out of trouble and make sure you turn up in a fit state to take part;
- show respect to the Officer in Charge (and responsible officer) and other people you meet during your sentence;
- tell your Officer in Charge (and responsible officer) if circumstances change for example if you move address, change phone number, are unable to keep your appointment or have any problems completing your sentence; and
- carry out any instructions you may be given when you attend your treatment.

It is very important that you attend your appointments and work hard to complete your sentence. If you think you are going to miss an appointment, please inform the Officer in Charge as soon as possible and tell them why.

The Durham Tees Valley Community Rehabilitation Company does not tolerate any forms of bullying, racism and other forms of discrimination or aggressive behaviour to any of its staff.

Other information

For more information about this leaflet or if you need help or advice about anything to do with your sentence, please speak to your responsible officer.

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