

Unpaid Work



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future

About your sentence

The Court has decided that you are required to undertake work that will benefit other people and pay back the community for the harm or damage your offending has caused.

This leaflet tells you about the Unpaid Work Requirement that the Court has decided you must do as part of your sentence.

There are lots of different types of work available. Your responsible officer will talk to you about what will be the most suitable for you and will tell you when and where you will be working.

You will have to work at least 7 hours a week and finish the Requirement within 12 months. If you have a job during the week, you will be able to work at weekends.

As well as making amends to the community, the work may also help you to learn new skills and get on better with those around you.

Your responsible officer will:

- explain your sentence to you;
- explain the sort of work you might be doing;
- tell you where you need to be and what time you must be there;
- tell you what will happen if you do not turn up for work;
- 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 your responsible officer says and do what they ask you to do;
- 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 your supervisors and other people you meet during your sentence;
- tell your 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 your responsible officer 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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