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GENERAL ORDER



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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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I. PURPOSE

The Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) monitors offenders convicted of firearms offenses who live, work, or attend school in the District of Columbia. The gun offender registration program assists with the effort to combat gun violence by facilitating the proactive monitoring of gun offenders, reducing the risk of recidivism, and aiding in the prompt apprehension of offenders who engage in new criminal activity. The purpose of this order is to provide procedures related to the supervision of gun offenders.

II. PROCEDURES

A. Gun Offenses and Offenders

Gun Offenses
a. Conviction for the sale, purchase, transfer, receipt, acquisition, possession, use, manufacture, carrying, transportation, registration, or licensing of a firearm under DC Official Code § 22-4501 et seq. ;
b. Conviction for violating DC Official Code § 7-2502.01 (Registration requirements) , DC Official Code § 7-2504.01 (Manufacture of firearms, destructive devices or ammunition prohibited; requirement for dealer's license) , DC Official Code § 7-2505.01 (Sales and transfers prohibited) , and DC Official Code § 7-2506.01 (Persons permitted to possess ammunition) ; or DC Official Code § 22-2803(b) (Carjacking) while armed; and
c. Violations in other jurisdictions of any offense with an element that involves the violations listed this order.

Gun Offenders
a. Individual convicted of a gun offense in the District;
b. Individual convicted of a gun offense who resides in the District within the registration period established pursuant to DC Official Code § 7-2508.02 ; or
c. Individual who has as a mandatory condition of release a requirement to register as a gun offender pursuant to DC Official Code § 7-2508.04 (f) .

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B. Gun Offender Registration

1. Upon a defendant's conviction for a gun offense, the DC Superior Court will enter an order certifying that the defendant is a gun offender. The court will advise the gun offender of his or her duties under [DC Official Code § 7-2508.01](#) *et seq.* and order the defendant to register as a gun offender.
2. Gun offenders are required to register for a period of two years unless a longer period is required by [DC Official Code § 7-2508.03](#) or [§ 7-2508.07\(b\)](#). Gun offenders are required to register within 48 hours (not including Saturdays, Sundays, legal holidays, or days on which the District of Columbia government is closed) of:

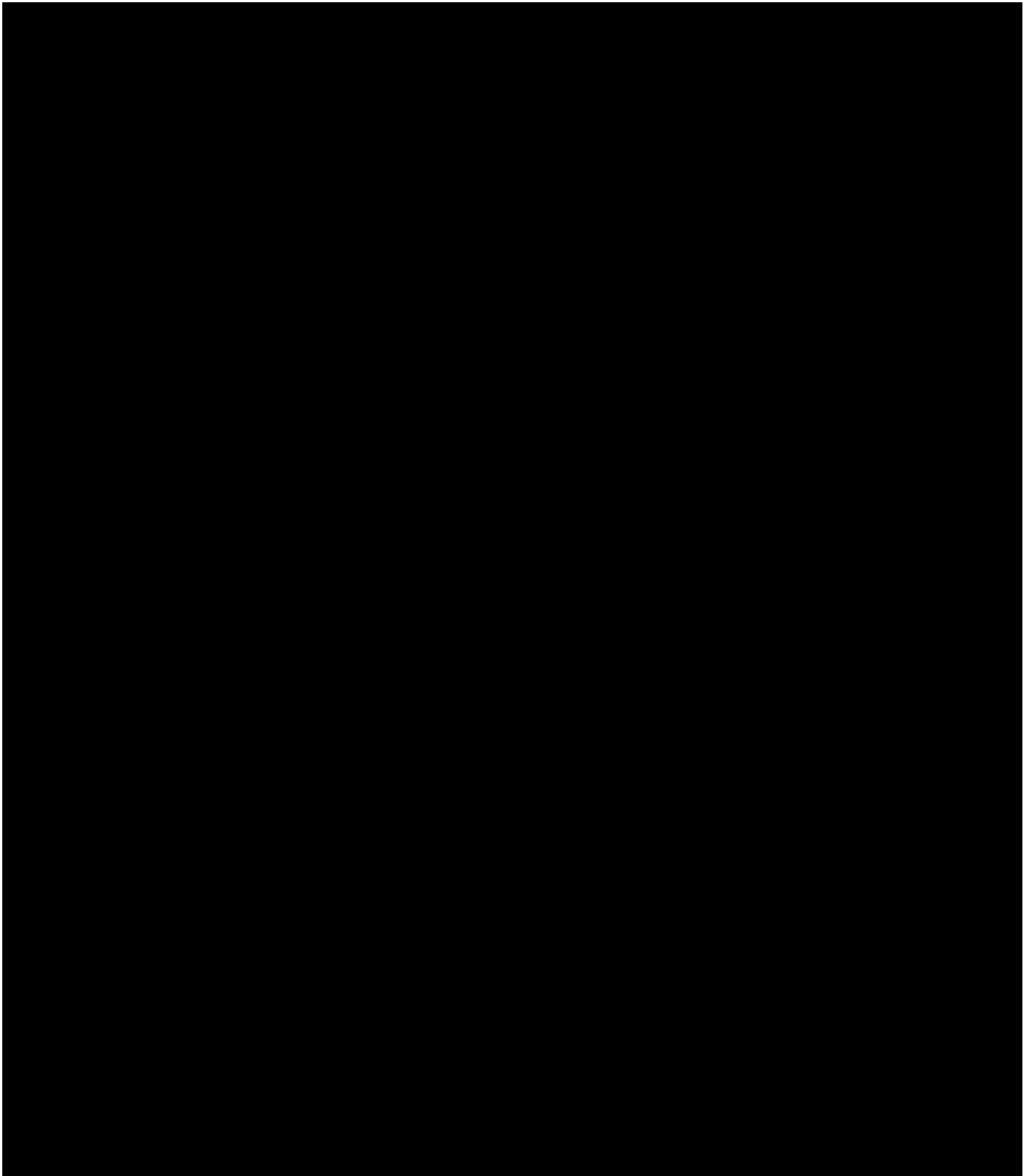
Registration Requirements
a. Release, if the gun offender receives a sentence of imprisonment;
b. The time the sentence is imposed, if the sentence does not include imprisonment;
c. Receipt of notice of the obligation to register, if at a time other than sentencing; or
d. Changing the place where he or she resides, works, or attends school in the District or elsewhere.

3. The court will provide to the Gun Offender Registry Unit (GORU) and the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA) a copy of the certification order and other records and information in its possession that will assist in the registration of the gun offender.
4. Upon receiving a gun offender registry order from the court, GORU shall immediately enter the information into the gun offender registry database, including the defendant's release date. GORU personnel shall obtain, to the extent practicable, the following information:

Gun Offender Information
a. Offender's name, date of birth, sex, race, height, weight, and eye color;
b. Address where the offender resides or expects to reside in the District;
c. Other legal names or aliases;
d. Jurisdiction and a description of the offense for which the gun offender was convicted and the date of the conviction;
e. Fingerprints;
f. Identification number of the gun offender's driver's license or non-driver photo identification card; and
g. Name and address of any school the gun offender attends or expects to attend.

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10. GORU shall facilitate the dissemination of gun offender registration information.

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11. Members may release gun offender registration information to other state, local, or federal government law enforcement agencies. Members shall not make available to the public gun offender registration information, including, but not limited to, in response to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.

C. Gun Offender Home Visits

1. Within 30 days of a gun offender's registration, GORU shall conduct an initial home visit with the offender to verify residence, employment, and status. After the initial home visit and residence verification, GORU shall notify the Violent Crime Impact Team (VCIT) and provide information on the gun offender, [REDACTED].
2. VCIT shall conduct home visits on gun offender registrants, [REDACTED] and established minimum required home visits. When ensuring compliance with the number of visits required [REDACTED], the mandatory registration and verification interviews held at GORU shall not be included. VCIT shall document each visit to the home of a gun offender in the gun offender registry database, including the date, time, location of the check, the member entering the data, and a brief description of the results of the home visit (e.g., no answer, bad address/moved, offender contacted).

D. Warrants

1. GORU shall obtain arrest warrants for gun offenders who fail to comply with the provisions of [DC Official Code § 7-2508.01](#) et seq. and forward the warrants to VCIT for service.
2. VCIT shall serve the arrest warrants and update the gun offender registry database with information on service attempts and arrests prior to the end of the serving member's shift on the date of service.



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