

Federal Supervised Releases

With the help of the Maryland State Police qualifying offenders released from federal prisons into Maryland that are on supervised release. Qualifying offenders are typically offenders who were incarcerated in the federal system for a violent crime, a sexual crime or a felony drug crime. Below is a detailed description about the Federally Supervised Releases:

The United States Probation System is required to make state and local law enforcement agencies aware when qualifying federal offenders reside in their jurisdiction. This is mandated by federal law, 18 U.S.C. §§ 4042(b) and (c), which is detailed below:

(b) Notice of Release of Prisoners.—

- **(1)** At least 5 days prior to the date on which a prisoner described in paragraph (3) is to be released on supervised release, or, in the case of a prisoner on supervised release, at least 5 days prior to the date on which the prisoner changes residence to a new jurisdiction, written notice of the release or change of residence shall be provided to the chief law enforcement officers of each State, tribal, and local jurisdiction in which the prisoner will reside. Notice prior to release shall be provided by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons. Notice concerning a change of residence following release shall be provided by the probation officer responsible for the supervision of the released prisoner, or in a manner specified by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. The notice requirements under this subsection do not apply in relation to a prisoner being protected under chapter 224.

(c) Notice of Sex Offender Release.—

- **(1)** In the case of a person described in paragraph (3), or any other person in a category specified by the Attorney General, who is released from prison or sentenced to probation, notice shall be provided to—
- **(A)** the chief law enforcement officer of each State, tribal, and local jurisdiction in which the person will reside; and
- **(B)** a State, tribal, or local agency responsible for the receipt or maintenance of sex offender registration information in the State, tribal, or local jurisdiction in which the person will reside.

A qualifying offenders include:

Certain drug trafficking crimes described under Title 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(2) as described below:

(2) For purposes of this subsection, the term “drug trafficking crime” means any felony punishable under the Controlled Substances Act ([21 U.S.C. 801](#) et seq.), the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act ([21 U.S.C. 951](#) et seq.), or chapter [705](#) of title [46](#).

Crimes of violence described under Title 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(3) as described below:

(3) For purposes of this subsection the term “crime of violence” means an offense that is a felony and—

- (A) has as an element the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the person or property of another, or
- (B) that by its nature, involves a substantial risk that physical force against the person or property of another may be used in the course of committing the offense.

Sex offenses and those convicted of internet child pornography offenses included as part of The Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (Title I of Pub. L. No. 109-248, 120 Stat. 590, July 27, 2006).

