



IMPORTANT NOTICE

CHANGES TO NORTH CAROLINA SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION LAWS

ALL REGISTERED OFFENDERS MUST COMPLY

Major changes to North Carolina's Sex Offender and Public Protection Registration Programs were signed into law on August 16, 2006, and will take effect soon.

As a registered offender, you are receiving this notice because these changes directly impact you. Failure to comply with these new regulations could result in criminal penalties. Please pay special attention to the items listed below.

QUESTIONS

- For complete details on all law changes, contact your county sheriff's office.
- Also, visit this website: <http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/Sessions/2005/Bills/House/HTML/H1896v9.html>

LAW CHANGES IMPACTING YOU

1. **IN PERSON APPEARANCE:** All offender registration, address verification, notice of change of address, changes in academic status, employment status, must be done **IN PERSON** at the sheriff's office where you are registered. Effective December 1, 2006.
2. **SEMI-ANNUAL ADDRESS VERIFICATION LETTERS:** Address verification letters will be mailed semiannually (twice a year). Offenders must report in person to the sheriff's office where they are registered within 10 days of receipt of each letter. Effective December 1, 2006.
3. **OUT OF COUNTY EMPLOYMENT/RESIDENCY:** You must notify the sheriff of the county where you are registered when you will be working and residing outside of that county for more than 10 days in a 30-day period or for an aggregate period of 30 days in a calendar year. Effective June 1, 2007.
4. **MOVING:** You must notify the sheriff of the county where you are registered **IN PERSON** if you intend to move to another state at least 10 days prior to moving. If you decide not to move, you must notify the sheriff **IN PERSON** within 10 days after your scheduled moving date. Effective December 1, 2006.
5. **RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTION:** You are prohibited from living within 1,000 feet of a public or non public school or child care center. Persons who have established residences prior to the effective date of December 1, 2006, may be grandfathered.



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6. **EMPLOYMENT/VOLUNTEER RESTRICTIONS:** You are prohibited from working or volunteering at any place where a minor is present and your responsibilities or activities would include instruction, supervision, or care of a minor or minors. Additionally, it is unlawful for any person to conduct any activity in his/her residence where the person accepts a minor or minors into his/her care and knows that a person resides at that same location who is required to register under North Carolina law. Effective December 1, 2006.
7. **PHOTOGRAPHS:** A sheriff, if they believe your appearance has changed, has the right to take another photograph of you, or to order you to appear at the sheriff's office within 72 hours to have another photograph taken.
8. **PERIOD OF REGISTRATION:** After December 1, 2006, offenders will not automatically be removed from the North Carolina Sex Offender and Public Protection Registry after 10 years. In order to be removed from the Registry after December 1, 2006, you must petition the Superior Court in the district where you reside.
9. **ADDRESS VERIFICATION:** A sheriff may attempt to verify your address at any time during the year.

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