

MISSION STATEMENT

To contribute to the safety and protection of our society by keeping offenders secure and facilitating their rehabilitation and reintegration as law abiding citizens, while developing a professional and committed staff

VISION STATEMENT

We are serving the needs of all our clients by creating and facilitating opportunities for their empowerment and rehabilitation, resulting in a more peaceful, caring and productive society.

CORRECTIONAL PROCESS

One which provides to those in our care a relevant, structured therapeutic environment to facilitate their empowerment and rehabilitation to become peaceful, responsible and productive members of society.

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PAROLE

WHAT IS PAROLE?

Parole is the authority granted to an inmate to leave the prison in which he is serving a sentence and to spend the last portion of that sentence in the open Society.

Parole is granted to enable inmates to be released into the open society for re-adjustment with the guidance of a Parole Officer.

WHEN IS AN INMATE ELIGIBLE FOR PAROLE?

- a) Every inmate serving a sentence of more than twelve (12) months shall be eligible for PAROLE. This is after having served one third of such sentence or twelve (12) months whichever is greater.
- b) When an inmate is serving more than one sentence (Concurrent Sentences). He or she shall be granted Parole on the longest of such sentences.
- c) When an inmate is serving Consecutive Sentences he/she shall be granted parole on the aggregate of these sentences.
- d) An inmate who has been sentenced to life imprisonment or has had the death sentence commuted to life imprisonment, will be eligible for parole after serving a period at not less than seven years, or after a stated period stipulated by the Court.

If an inmate meets the above requirements, he/she may make written application to the Parole Board for the grant of Parole.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN AN INMATE IS GRANTED PAROLE?

When an inmate is granted Parole, it means he/she is placed on a Parole Order. He now becomes a Parolee.

This Parole Order will, be for a period specified by the Parole Board, which would elapse at the time the sentence would complete if he/she were in prison?

WHO SUPERVISES A PAROLEE?

During the parole period, the Parolee is supervised by a Parole Officer, who assists him in every way to resettle in the community.

CAN A PAROLE ORDER BE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED?

Yes. If a Parolee is

- a) In breach of the conditions of the Parole Order
- b) Deemed a threat to public safety
- c) Convicted of any offence punishable by imprisonment.

His/Her Order can be revoked or suspended.

WHAT HAPPENS AT THE END OF THE PAROLE PERIOD?

The Parole Period is counted as a part of the sentence. Parole will, be terminated:-

- a) Upon the expiration of the Parole Period.