

EXTENDED FAMILY VISIT ELIGIBILITY

REQUIREMENTS FOR INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS

An individual must meet the following criteria to participate in an Extended Family Visit (EFV):

- Has served 6 consecutive months in Prison
- Is actively participating in programming requirements (e.g., education, work, treatment), or a reasonable effort has been made to obtain a school or work assignment
- Is not assigned to maximum/close custody or in Restrictive Housing at the time of application
- Must receive authorization from the sending state if under an Interstate Compact
- Does not have any outstanding or unresolved felony charges, warrants, or detainers in any jurisdiction, and is not a suspect in a criminal investigation by any law enforcement agency
 - Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainers will not prohibit participation in EFV privileges

Possible Disqualifiers:

An individual may be denied EFV privileges:

- Based on the nature of the crime, documented criminal history (e.g., history of domestic violence as defined in RCW 7.105.010), and current/prior behavior
- If there is a documented reason to believe that the individual is a danger to self, the visitor(s), or the orderly operation of the facility

Individuals with a sex/serious violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 will only be eligible for an EFV if screened through Sex Offense Treatment and Assessment Programs (SOTAP) and approved by the EFV Review Committee

- SOTAP employees/contract staff will provide a recommendation and document any concerns regarding participation
- The committee will determine eligibility based on established criteria

Violations:

The individual must not have any pending, non-adjudicated serious violations regardless of category that may result in the visit being denied

Individuals found guilty of any of the following violations will be eligible for EFV privileges after the applicable time limit. Time limits start on the date guilt has been determined:

- 5 years for a Category A violation
- 3 years for a Category B, Level 1 violation
- One year for a Category B, Level 2 violation
 - 505, 652, 682, and 750 violations do not automatically exclude EFV participation and will be considered on a case-by-case basis

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A multidisciplinary Facility Risk Management Team (FRMT) review must occur after an individual receives any guilty finding for a serious violation to determine continued eligibility

REQUIREMENTS FOR FAMILY MEMBERS

The applicant must be on the individual's approved visitor list per DOC 450.300 Visits for Incarcerated Individuals and have previously visited with the individual a minimum of 6 times, to include video visits, within the last 12 months

- At least one visit must have been in-person regardless of the visitor's residential address
- Exceptions to the visitor guidelines will not be granted for EFV privileges
- If initially denied by the EFV Review Committee based only on lack of visit history, the family member may contact the facility once the minimum number of visits has been completed

An applicant cannot:

- Be on any type of correctional/court-ordered supervision
- Be the subject of pending felony criminal or drug-related action
- Be a juvenile on probation, community supervision, community placement, in a Reentry Center, in a group or home on authorized leave, or the subject of pending felony criminal or drug-related charges
- Have testified against the individual in any crime resulting in conviction
- Have any documented history of domestic violence against any person of a similar relationship to the individual unless approved by the EFV Review Committee

Spouses/state registered domestic partners must meet the following additional requirements:

- If the marriage/state registered domestic partnership is entered after the individual is under the jurisdiction of the Department, it must meet the requirements of DOC 590.200 Marriages and State Registered Domestic Partnerships
 - Applicants may be considered one year from the date of the marriage/state registered domestic partnership
- Individuals adopted after the date of the crime of conviction may be considered 3 years after the date of adoption

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REQUIREMENTS FOR MINORS

Minors must meet the following additional requirements. Minors may not be eligible to participate if the individual has a history of sex offenses/violence toward children

- The minor must be accompanied and supervised by an approved EFV participant and have written notarized consent of the non-incarcerated custodial parent/legal guardian on DOC 20-441 Parent/Guardian Consent for Minor Visit and/or Escort
- A minor who is a victim of the individual's sexual offense, physical abuse, or other mistreatment will not be eligible to participate
- Newborns and infants must be approved through the application process prior to participating in the program

Minors must submit a new application upon turning 18 years old for approval as an adult

- At least 30 days should be allowed for processing
- The person will only be eligible to participate if a new application has been submitted and approved within 90 days of turning 18 years old
- If a new application is not received or the criminal background check produces disqualifying criteria, the person will be removed from the approved visit list