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Policy Statement

G.L. c. 6 § 178 is the Sexual Offender Registry Act, requires police departments to register and update the Sex Offender Registration Information System (SORIS) on all sex offenders, finally classified as a level 2 or 3 offenders. These individuals are required to register at the local police station in the city or town in which they live, or if the sex offender does not reside in the commonwealth, in the city or town in which the sex offender has a secondary address, works, or attends an institute of higher learning. A sex offender, finally classified by the Sex Offender Registration Board (SORB) as a level 2 or 3 offender, shall also appear in person annually at the local police department to verify that the registration data on file remains true and accurate.

References

G.L. c. 6 § 178P - Failure to comply with registration requirements; right to arrest: Whenever a police officer has probable cause to believe that a sex offender has failed to comply with the registration requirements of sections 178C to 178P, inclusive, such officer shall have the right to arrest such sex offender without a warrant and to keep such sex offender in custody.

Definitions & Special Terms

A sex offender is “a person who resides, has secondary addresses, works or attends an institution of higher learning in the Commonwealth and who has been convicted of a sex offense or who has been adjudicated as a youthful offender or as a delinquent juvenile by reason of a sex offense or a person released from incarceration or parole or probation supervision or custody with the department of youth services for such a conviction or adjudication or a person who has been adjudicated a sexually dangerous person under G.L. c. 123A § 14, as in force at the time of adjudication, or a person released from civil commitment pursuant to G.L. c. 123A § 9, whichever last occurs, on or after August 1, 1981.”

Policy

It is the policy of the Framingham Police Department to ensure that all persons presenting themselves at the police station to register as a sex offender be afforded the opportunity to comply with the law as it pertains to them. Sex offenders who are attempting to register pursuant to G.L. c.6, §§ 178C-178O are to be registered in accordance with this policy. Persons presenting themselves at the police station requesting Sex Offender Registry Information will also be afforded the opportunity to do so.

A. Hours of Registration

Offenders shall register by scheduling an appointment directly with the Licensing Bureau Commander. Public sex offender inquiries may be requested through the Licensing Bureau Commander.

B. Registration

1. Annual registration is completed by the offender during the birth month of each year.
2. A homeless sex offender shall appear in person every 30 days to verify that the registration data on file remains true and accurate.
3. A sex offender who has been classified as a sexually violent predator shall appear in person every 45 days to verify that the registration data on file remains true and accurate.
4. Offenders that change any demographical information such as live or work address will register as required by law.
5. The Sex Offender Registration Form must be completely filled out, signed and dated by the offender.
6. A sex offender presenting him/herself for initial registration or

annual registration shall be fingerprinted and photographed. The information will be updated in the Spillman offender module. Fingerprints will be captured by the desk officer in the LiveScan AFIS machine using the Sex Offender Registration tab.

7. The Licensing Bureau Commander will update the registration information and photos in SORIS. The Sex Offender Registration Form will be scanned into Laserfiche and sent electronically to the SORB.

B. Inquiries From The Public

1. Sex Offender Registry Information (SORI) is available to: any person who is eighteen years of age or older, who appears in person at the police station and presents proper identification.
2. The requestor must complete and sign a Request For Sex Offender Information Form. The Licensing Bureau Commander will process the request consistent with MGL and SORB regulations.

Only those sex offenders that have been classified as level two (2) or three (3) shall have their information disseminated by public inquiry.

C. Storage of Records

Blank registration forms will be maintained in the lobby hanging wall organizers. Forms can also be located on the "S" drive in the folder "Sex Offender Registration Forms" and/or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Sex Offender Registry Board website.