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GENERAL ORDER

SEXUAL PREDATORS/OFFENDERS
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58.1 Introduction

The Public Safety Information Act sets criteria for determining who is to register as a sexual predator, who is to be retained on current sexual predator registrations, and what sort of affirmative notification to the community can be made. This Act broadens the registration requirements to include sex offenders who have been released from any sanction of the court or from the care, custody, and control of the Department of Corrections on, or after, October 1, 1997.

58.1.1 Registration of Sexual Offenders

A. A sexual predator/offender must initially register with the sheriff's office of the county within 48 hours of establishing residency or with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE). The sheriff shall forward fingerprints, photo, and registration form to FDLE.

B. A sexual predator/offender who is released from the Department of Corrections and changes his address must report in person within 48 hours of address change to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) and be photographed. DHSMV shall electronically submit the updated information and photograph to FDLE.

C. A sexual predator/offender not under the supervision of the Department of Corrections must maintain a current Florida drivers license or identification card and must renew in person.

D. A sexual predator/offender under the Department of Corrections supervision must report all changes of address to the probation or

parole officer. The Department of Corrections shall electronically submit information to FDLE.

E. The failure to register or maintain current address is a third degree felony for both sexual predators and sexual offenders.

F. Should a sexual predator/offender come to the Police Department to register, lobby personnel may contact a member of the Special Investigations Unit to meet with the subject, or direct the subject to the Broward Sheriff's Office.

58.1.2 Agency Notification of Sexual Predators/Offenders

A. FDLE shall notify the Sheriff's Office and the Chief of Police.

B. Inmate release information shall be provided by the Department of Corrections.

C. All law enforcement agencies within the county will receive a teletype message.

D. FDLE maintains a predator/offender website with access through Internet or Intranet. FDLE also maintains a toll free number. The website address and toll free number shall be available through the Department's Criminal Investigations Component or the Public Information Officer.

58.1.3 Prohibitions Against Working With Minors

Sexual predators who are convicted of certain enumerated offenses where the victim was a minor are prohibited from working as a volunteer, or for compensation, at locations where children regularly congregate.

58.2 Definitions

"One is enough" sexual predator offense - Any capital, life, or first degree felony violation of Chapter 794 F.S.S., or similar law of another jurisdiction, and/or any violation of s.847.0145 F.S.S., or a similar law of another jurisdiction.

"Second offense" sexual predator offense - Any second degree or greater violation of Chapter 794, s.800.04, s.827.071, s.847.0145 F.S.S. committed on, or after, October 1, 1993 and has previously been convicted of a prior sex offense felony within ten years.

Sexual Predator - An individual who committed a "one is enough" sexual predator offense on, or after, October 1, 1993, or committed a "second offense." This includes similar laws of another jurisdiction. Sexual predator requires a written finding of the court.

Sexual Offender - An individual who has committed a sexual offense as enumerated in state statutes and is in the care, custody, or control of the Department of Corrections or released from sanction on, or after, October 1, 1997.

Enumerated State Statutes - s.393.13, s.394.4593, s. 787.01, s.787.02, s.787.06, s. 787.025, all of Chapter 794, s.796.03, s.800.04, s. 810.145, s.825.1025, s.827.071, s. 847.0133, s. 847.0135, s. 847.0145, s.895.03, s.916.1075 and s.985.701.

58.3 Policy/Procedure

58.3.1 Public Notification of Sexual Predators/Offenders

A. Public notification of sexual PREDATORS by the Chief of Police, or his designee, is mandatory through the Florida Public Safety Information Act when a sexual PREDATOR establishes residency within the city. Release of information will be through the Public Information Officer.

B. Within 48 hours after receiving notification of the presence of a sexual PREDATOR, the Chief of Police, or his designee, shall notify each licensed day care center, elementary school, middle school, and high school within a one-mile

radius of the temporary or permanent residence of the sexual PREDATOR.

1. In addition to the strategies for community notification, the CodeRed system shall be used to inform residents within the one-mile radius of the temporary or permanent residence of a sexual PREDATOR.

2. The CodeRed message shall state, "This is the Coral Springs Police Department informing you that the listing of sexual PREDATORS and/or sexual OFFENDERS residing in the City of Coral Springs has been amended to include (name of the sexual PREDATOR) to be residing at (temporary or permanent residence of the sexual PREDATOR) who has been convicted of (specific convicted offense). Please visit the City of Coral Springs website at www.coral springs.org or call the Florida Department of Law Enforcement hotline at 1-888-357-7332 for more information."

C. Within 48 hours after receiving notification of the presence of a sexual OFFENDER, the Chief of Police, or his designee, shall notify each licensed day care center, elementary school, middle school, and high school within a one-mile radius of the temporary or permanent residence of the sexual OFFENDER.

1. In addition to the strategies for community notification, the CodeRed system shall be used to inform residents within a half-mile radius of the temporary or permanent residence of a sexual OFFENDER.

2. The CodeRed message shall state, "This is the Coral Springs Police Department informing you that the listing of sexual PREDATORS and/or sexual OFFENDERS residing in the City of Coral Springs has been amended to include (name of the sexual OFFENDER) to be residing at (temporary or permanent residence of the sexual OFFENDER) who has been convicted of (specific convicted offense). Please visit the City of Coral Springs website at www.coral springs.org or call the Florida Department of Law Enforcement hotline at 1-888-357-7332 for more information."

D. Information concerning sexual offenders shall be given to any individual who requests the information. Public notification of sexual offenders is not mandated under the Florida Public Safety Information Act, however, the

Department may provide this information to the public. Release of information will be through the Public Information Officer.

E. Notification of sexual predators and/or sexual offenders may be in any manner deemed appropriate by the Chief of Police and must include:

- Name
- Description
- Photograph
- Address
- Whether victim was a minor or an adult at the time of the offense
- Circumstances of the offense (not to disclose reference to incest or custodial abuse to avoid identifying victim)

F. Strategies for community notification shall include, but not be limited to:

- Community meetings
- Use of community newspapers and media
- Department's website
- Neighborhood Crime Watch
- Community organizations
- Group fax of public and private school, including pre-schools (notification of public schools shall be through the county school board)
- Flyers
- Sexual Offender Profile Booklet

G. Immunity is provided under FSS 775.21(8) to any elected or appointed official, public employee or agency from civil liability for damages resulting from the information as authorized by FSS 775.21 when written finding exists.

58.3.2 Verification of Residency/ Employment

A. Upon receiving information of a sexual predator/offender establishing residency or having a change of address within the city limits, verification of residency shall be conducted by the Special Investigations Unit in conjunction with the Department of Corrections - Office of Probation.

B. Residency shall be verified on a quarterly basis by the Special Investigations Unit on sexual offenders and predators.

APPROVED


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