STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 760

CRIMINAL LAW, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Criminal Justice (Sentencing) (Licence Conditions) (Amendment) Order 2026

Made - - - -	*at 12.40 p.m. on 7th July 2026*
Laid before Parliament	*at 4.00 p.m. on 7th July 2026*
Coming into force - -	*2nd September 2026*

The Secretary of State makes this Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 250(1) and (8A) of the Criminal Justice Act 2003(**a**).

In accordance with section 250(8) of that Act, the Secretary of State has had regard to the following purposes of the supervision of offenders while on licence under Chapter 6 of Part 12 of that Act—

(a) the protection of the public,

(b) the prevention of re-offending, and

(c) securing the successful re-integration of the prisoner into the community.

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Criminal Justice (Sentencing) (Licence Conditions) (Amendment) Order 2026 and comes into force on 2nd September 2026.

(2) This Order extends to England and Wales.

Amendment to the Criminal Justice (Sentencing) (Licence Conditions) Order 2015

2.—(1) The Criminal Justice (Sentencing) (Licence Conditions) Order 2015(**b**) is amended as follows.

(2) In article 1(2), after the definition of "offender", insert—

> ""supervising officer" means the officer responsible for the management of the offender in accordance with arrangements for probation provision under section 3 of the Offender Management Act 2007(**c**);".

(3) For article 3(2) (standard conditions), substitute—

(**a**) 2003 c. 44. Section 250(1) was amended by the Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 (c. 4), section 26(6) and 32(1); Subsection (8A) was inserted by section 27(3)(b) of the Sentencing Act 2026 (c. 2).
(**b**) S.I. 2015/337. Relevant amendments are made by S.I. 2022/703.
(**c**) 2007 c. 21.

"(2) An offender must—

(a) behave well and in a way that supports the purpose of the offender being on licence;

(b) not commit any crime;

(c) keep in touch with the supervising officer as instructed by the supervising officer;

(d) meet with the supervising officer at any place the supervising officer specifies, including meeting the supervising officer where the offender lives;

(e) stay at an address approved by the supervising officer and get permission from the supervising officer if they want to stay at another address for one or more nights;

(f) tell the supervising officer about any new work, or type of work, they want to do, and get the approval of the supervising officer before starting the work;

(g) tell the supervising officer if they have a passport and give the supervising officer any details about the passport that the supervising officer asks for;

(h) get permission from the supervising officer if they want to apply for a new passport;

(i) get permission from the supervising officer if they want to leave the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man. This condition does not apply if the offender is being deported or removed for immigration purposes;

(j) tell the supervising officer about any names they use that are different to the names on their licence;

(k) tell the supervising officer if their contact details change, including any telephone number or email address.".

Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State

Timpson
Minister of State
Ministry of Justice

At 12.40 p.m. on 7th July 2026

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the standard conditions that apply to offenders sentenced to a determinate sentence of imprisonment and released on licence. Those conditions are set out in the Criminal Justice (Sentencing) (Licence Conditions) Order 2015, which specifies the licence conditions, and the types of licence conditions, to which an offender must be subject.

Article 2 amends article 1(2) inserting a definition for "supervising officer".

Article 3 prescribes the standard licence conditions that apply to all determinate sentence prisoners following their release on licence. This includes a new standard condition requiring offenders to give details of any passports held and seek permission before applying for a new passport. The wording of the standard conditions has been updated to make them easier for offenders to understand.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this statutory instrument as no impact, or significant impact, on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.

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