



SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY LAW

SUMMARY OF "SEX OFFENSES" – G.L. 6, § 178C

Registration Requirements and Timelines

A sex offender who was convicted, adjudicated a minor, incarcerated, on probation, on parole or was released from a civil commitment for a sex offense on or after August 1, 1981 is required to register with the SORB.

Sex Offenses	G.L.		Sexually Violent Offense	Sex Offense Involving a Child
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Indecent assault & battery on a child under 14	265	13B	X	X
Aggravated indecent assault & battery on a child under 14	265	13B ½	X	X
Indecent assault & battery on a mentally retarded person	265	13F	X	
Indecent assault & battery on a person age 14 or over	265	13H		
Rape	265	22	X	
Rape of a child <16 with force	265	22A	X	X
Aggravated rape of a child under 16 with force	265	22B	X	X
Rape and abuse of a child	265	23		X
Aggravated rape and abuse of a child	265	23A		X
Assault with intent to rape	265	24	X	
Assault of a child with intent to rape	265	24B	X	X
Kidnapping of a child	265	26		X
Enticing a child under the age of 16 for the purposes of committing a crime	265	26C		X
Enticing a child under 18 via electronic communication to engage in prostitution, human trafficking, or commercial sexual activity	265	26D	X	X
Trafficking of persons for sexual servitude	265	50	X	
Trafficking of persons for sexual servitude upon a person under 18 years of age	265	50(b)	X	X
A second or subsequent violation of human trafficking for sexual servitude	265	52	X	X
Enticing away a person for prostitution or sexual intercourse	272	2		
Drugging persons for sexual intercourse	272	3	X	
Inducing a minor into prostitution	272	4A		X
Living off or sharing earnings of a minor prostitute	272	4B		X
Incestuous marriage or intercourse	272	17		
Disseminating to a minor material harmful to a minor	272	28		X
Posing or exhibiting a child in a state of nudity	272	29A		X
Dissemination of visual material of a child in a state of nudity or sexual conduct	272	29B		X
Possession of child pornography	272	29C		
Unnatural and lascivious acts with a child under 16	272	35A	X	X
Aggravated Rape	277	39	X	X
2 nd Open and Gross lewdness and lascivious behavior	272	16		

Length of Registration

Sexually Violent Offense	Lifetime registration requirement for adults. Juveniles can ask for relief and/or termination if their only offense was committed as a juvenile.
Sex Offense Involving a Child	For a single offense committed as an adult, the offender must register for at least 10 years but not more than 20 years. Following 10 years of registration and being offense-free, offenders can ask the Board to terminate their duty to register.
Wetterling Offense	Lifetime registration for adults with two or more separate sex offense convictions against children committed on different occasions. Juveniles can ask for relief and/or termination if their only offenses were sex offenses against children committed as a juvenile.
All three above designations	Lifetime registration

Relief of Registration may be granted for these offenses:

Adults:	Indecent Assault and Battery Enticing away a person for prostitution or sexual intercourse Incestuous marriage or intercourse Possession of Child Pornography Open and gross lewdness and Lascivious behavior
Juveniles:	Any Offense at the time of sentencing by the court or by the SORB at the time of classification.