Guide to Successfully Completing Misdemeanor Probation

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- 1. Two weeks after sentencing, call/email (voicemail is acceptable) your probation officer and update the following:
 - a. When/where you are attending counseling and/or completing community service, if applicable.
 - b. Address/phone number, if changed.
 - c. If eligible, we will discuss early release (see page 5)
- 2. Use the instructions on the next few pages to complete each condition of probation that you were ordered (Refer to your Conditions of Probation and the list below).

You MUST complete	Condition	Completed and submitted to Probation Officer
0	Fines and Court Costs	0
0	Drug and Alcohol Classes	0
0	Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)	0
0	Anger Management	0
0	Center for Non-Violence or Comp. (CFNV)	0
O	Evaluation & follow Recs	0
0	Victim Impact Panel (VIP)	0
O	Daily Call-ins	0
0	Restitution	0
0	Electronic Home Detention (EHD)	0
0	Obtain a Valid DL	0
0	GED/HSE	0
0	Community Service	0

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FINES AND COURT COSTS

- 1. Your cash bond MIGHT cover SOME of your fines and court costs but NOT your Probation monthly fees.
- 2. When making a payment, you MUST specify what type of fees you are paying on.
- 3. You MUST have your case number before making a payment. This is on your Conditions of Probation.
- 4. Make sure you are paying on the correct case. If you have multiple cases or are unsure which to pay on, call the Clerk's office first. (260) 358-4817
- 5. Call the Criminal Clerks office to make a payment (260) 358-4817 (3.5% service fee assessed).
- 6. Online Payments (3.5% service fee assessed):
 - a. Go online to huntington.in.us/county/departments/
 - b. Click on "County Clerk"
 - c. On the right-hand side of the screen, find "Topics of Interest"
 - d. Click on "Violations"
 - e. Click on this image >>>
 - f. Enter all your information
 - g. Click "submit"

COUNSELING (drug and alcohol, anger management, mental health etc.)

- 1. Notify (voicemail is acceptable) probation officer within 2 weeks where you will be attending and when your first appointment is. See approved list for drug and alcohol classes (page 8).
- 2. Sign a release of information at the facility.
 - a. Make sure they send weekly or monthly progress reports AND all drug screens by email, sarah.witta@huntington.in.us, or by fax to (260) 358-4853.

3. OUT OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY ONLY

- a. Drug and alcohol counseling requirements are as follows:
 - i. Get approval of the program BEFORE starting (unless approved on page 8)
 - ii. Minimum of 12 hours.
 - iii. Must be an in-person program.
 - iv. Must COMPLETE the program (do not stop after 12 hours).
 - v. Drug AND alcohol focused (not one or the other).
 - vi. Led by a licensed therapist (church programs and NA/AA meetings do not count unless approved on page 8).

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vii. Provide Probation officer with progress reports, drug screens, and completion letter/certificate. Email, fax, or voicemail is acceptable.

CENTER FOR NON-VIOLENCE OR A COMPARABLE PROGRAM

- 1. Use page 9 in this packet to call the Center for Non-Violence and Bowen Center (MRT-DV) to determine where you will attend classes.
- 2. Notify (voicemail is acceptable) probation officer within 2 weeks if you are going to the Center for Non-Violence or the Bowen Center (MRT-DV).
- 3. Sign a release of information at the facility.
 - a. Make sure they send weekly or monthly progress reports.

EVALUATIONS (mental health, substance abuse, parenting etc.)

- 1. Notify (voicemail is acceptable) probation officer within 2 weeks where you will be attending and when your first appointment is. Bowen Center, Park Center and Huntington United Against Overdose are local options.
- 2. Sign a release of information at the facility.
 - a. Make sure they send a copy of your evaluation INCLUDING what counseling they recommend.
 - b. Make sure they send weekly or monthly progress reports AND all drug screens.

VICTIM IMPACT PANEL

- 1. Complete online at online.maddvip.org.
 - a. Cost: \$65.00
 - b. Time: 1.5-2 hours
- 2. Email certificate to probation officer or bring certificate to office.

DAILY CALL-INS

- 1. Daily call-ins will begin on a date selected by your probation officer.
- 2. You must call in DAILY (including weekends) between 4:00am and 12:59pm. (888) 565-3415
- 3. If selected, you may test at the approved locations (see page 11).
- 4. It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to provide drug test results to your probation officer within 2 weeks of taking a drug test.
 - a. Results may be faxed to the probation office at (260) 358-4853

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5. OUT OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY ONLY

- a. Call your local probation office or google search to determine possible testing locations. (Any Lab Test Now or Lab Corp are options)
- 6. Tests must meet the minimum requirements as follows:
 - a. 11 panel drug screen INCLUDING alcohol
 - b. The test must be OBSERVED.
 - c. Urine screen must include pH levels and creatinine levels
 - d. All drug screens must be LAB CONFIRMED. Which means they are not instant results.
 - i. Instant results are only accepted if you test negative.
- 7. Results may be faxed to the probation office at (260) 358-4853.

RESTITUTION

- 1. Call the Criminal Clerks office to make a payment (260) 358-4817.
 - a. Be ready to tell them your case number.
 - b. Specify that you are paying restitution.

OBTAIN A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE

- 1. Schedule a phone call or meeting with your probation officer to discuss why your license is suspended.
- 2. Provide proof to your probation officer that your license is valid.

GED/HSE

- 1. Register by calling (260) 349-0250/Toll Free (888) 349-0250.
- 2. Provide proof to your probation officer that you have obtained a GED/HSE.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 1. Notify (voicemail is acceptable) your probation officer within 2 weeks where/when you will be completing your community service.
 - a. Must be completed at a non-profit organization.
 - b. Examples: Dream Center, churches, humane shelters, community centers, libraries, soup kitchens, Huntington Co. Trustees, Helping Paws, Isaac Walton League, etc.

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2. Provide proof to your Probation officer that you have completed your community service hours (page 10).

Misdemeanor Probation Early Release

To be released from misdemeanor probation early, you may submit a written request to the Court through the Probation Department.

You are **ELIGIBLE** if you...

- 1. Have served at least 60 days on probation or 6 months for first time OWI offense
- 2. Have not been arrested since being placed on probation.
- 3. Have completed all your specific terms of probation (Example: community service, counseling, victim impact panel, house arrest, etc.)
- 4. Have paid all fines and fees in full

You are **NOT ELIGIBLE** if you...

- 1. Have multiple OWI convictions
- 2. Have a prior recent felony
- 3. Have an active warrant
- 4. Were ordered to daily call-ins
- 5. Are serving a Domestic Battery sentence
- 6. Have any new criminal offenses or criminal charges
- 7. Had a Petition to Revoke filed under this cause number

Early release from Probation is not a right and must be approved by the Court. Contact your probation officer if you believe you qualify to be released from probation early.

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STATE OF INDIANA HUNTINGTON SUPERIOR COURT

STATE OF INDIANA	CAUSE NO:
VS	
REQUE	EST FOR EARLY RELEASE FROM PROBATION
terminated. I have complete	, am requesting that my probation be ted all active terms of probation. I do hereby affirm under the penalties been arrested on any criminal charges in any state since I have been ntington County.
Date	Defendant
I recommend that the Defe	endant be released from probation satisfactorily,
Date	Probation Officer

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STATE OF INDIANA HUNTINGTON SUPERIOR COURT

STATE	OF INDIANA	CAUSE NO	: 35D01	_
VS				
	CONDITIONS OF PROBATION ORDE	RED:	COMPLETED ON:	
	Drug & Alcohol Counseling			
	Restitution		_	
	Victim Impact Panel			
	Center for Non-Violence			
	Valid Driver's License			
	Mental Health Evaluation			
	12 Weeks Daily Call in for Drug Tests			
	Diploma/GED			
	Community Service			
	Electronic Monitoring			
	Fines and Court Costs			

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No Specific Conditions

Court Approved Drug and Alcohol Programs

The Bowen Center

2860 North Park Avenue Huntington 800-342-5653

Wabash Friends Counseling

(No IOP)

1555 Flaxmill Road (Nazarene Church) Huntington 260-563-8453 or 877-330-1658

PBHI-Park Center Counseling

26 Victory Noll Dr. Door #11 Huntington 260-355-3730

Huntington United Against Overdose (NO IOP)

1314 Flaxmill Road Suite 300 Huntington 260-224-6662

<u>WITHIN 2 WEEKS,</u> YOU MUST HAVE YOUR COUNSELING SCHEDULED AND REPORT THIS INFORMATION TO YOUR PROBATION OFFICER.

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Center for Non-Violence or a Comparable Program

The Bowen Center Complete the MRT-DV class

2860 North Park Avenue Huntington 800-342-5653

Center for Non-Violence

235 West Creighton Avenue Fort Wayne, IN 46807-1311 (260) 456-4112

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Community Service Hours Log

<u>Time</u>	Place/Contact Information	Signature of Supervisor

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Drug Testing Options

Daily Call-In hotline (888)565-3415. Must call daily 4:00am-12:59 pm

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\$40.00 per test – 3 unpaid tests will result in a violation.

Payments can be made at the clerk's office on the second or third floor.

Once payment is made, return to the Probation Office. All screens are urine screens, so be prepared to test once you arrive in the office.

Monday – Friday 8:15am – 11:30am 1:15pm – 4:00pm

Huntington United Against Overdose

\$30.00 per test – due a time of test. 1314 Flaxmill Road, Suite 300 Huntington, IN 46750 (260) 224-6662

Monday – Friday 12:00pm – 7:00pm Saturday – Sunday 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Bowen Center

Cost is based on your income and insurance

Must be ACTIVELY SEEING A BOWEN CENTER DOCTOR

Monday	9:00am - 5:00pm	Closed for lunch 12:00 – 1:00pm
Tuesday	9:00am – 5:00pm	Closed for lunch 12:00 – 1:00pm
Wednesday	9:00am – 6:00pm	Closed for lunch $12:00-1:00pm$
Thursday	9:00am – 6:00pm	Closed for lunch 12:00 – 1:00pm
Friday	8:00am - 5:00pm	Closed for lunch $12:00-1:00pm$

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Change of Address & Phone Number

Date:	Cause No		
Name:			
Street Address:			
P.O. Box / Apartment:			
City:		Zip code:	
Phone Number:			
Employer:			
Signature:			

A separate form must be completed for each case.