



EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN FOR SEX OFFENDERS AND GPS OFFENDERS

PURPOSE: To ensure appropriate supervision and monitoring is maintained during emergency events such as extensive power loss, hurricane evacuations, flooding, etc. The following actions should be taken for all sex offenders as defined in Policy 104 and those offenders who are on GPS.

PLANNED EMERGENCY EVENTS (I.E., HURRICANES, FLOODING, ETC.)

- The offender will be required to provide an alternate residence with a telephone as indicated in the Sex Offender Emergency Plan-Acknowledgment and Agreement (1320) at intake;
- The alternate residence may not be in the designated evacuation zone; must be in compliance with sex offender residency requirements; be approved by an agent specific to that county and must comply with the Standard Sex Offender Conditions (1401);
- The alternate residence will be reviewed with the offender annually for modification;
- In the event of a voluntary evacuation and the offender chooses to evacuate they must contact and advise the GPS Operations Center (GOC) that they are proceeding to their alternate residence and notify the GOC upon arrival.
- In the event of a mandatory evacuation the offender is required to proceed to their alternate residence and advise the GOC upon arrival.
- The agent will provide the offender with the SCDPPPS GPS Operations Center 1-800 number and instruct the offender to notify the GOC when he/she arrives at residence;
- If victim notification is indicated, the Agent or VSC will inform the victim of the emergency and the possibility of temporary loss of offender monitoring due to power loss, loss of GPS tracking and loss of telephone service.

UNPLANNED EMERGENCY EVENTS (I.E., TORNADOS, ICE STORMS, ETC.)

- If possible the Agent will communicate with the offender and all actions identified for a planned emergency event should occur as needed;
- If communication cannot be established (loss of telephone lines, travel restricted due to an emergency) Agent will staff the case with the Supervisor for appropriate action and document actions in OMS;
- If victim notification is indicated, the Agent or VSC will inform the victim of the emergency and the possibility of temporary loss of offender monitoring due to power loss, loss of GPS tracking and loss of telephone service;
- Once communication with the offender is established, the Agent will notify the victim and document actions in OMS;
- Case should be reviewed for any "willful" violations that may have occurred and staffed with supervisor if necessary.



LONG TERM POWER LOSS FOR GPS OFFENDERS

The unit is battery powered and does require daily charging to maintain effective tracking.

The tracking unit requires a minimum of two hours to meet full charge.

- The offender will be required to communicate with the Agent and notify him/her of alternative sites for battery charging or the offender will be instructed to come to the office or other location by the agent for charging;
- GPS offenders may be staffed for placement on Home Detention if equipment is not operable.

LONG TERM PPP OFFICE CLOSURE

- AIC will review the GPS needs and available office resources to determine appropriate action;
- Local Agent may monitor the case using internet capable computers with access to GPS vendor database and OMS;
- With RD approval, affected GPS cases may be temporarily reassigned to another PPP office for appropriate monitoring;
- If cases are reassigned to other PPP offices, the Statewide GPS Coordinator must be notified to have equipment reassigned on the vendors' database.

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