



Information about execution of sentence with electronic monitoring - to the person who will live together with a convicted person

If you are over the age of 18 and live together with the convicted person, you will be asked to consent to execution of the sentence. Among other things, the purpose of this information form is to provide you with a better basis for deciding whether you wish to consent to the person you are living with being able to execute the sentence in your shared residence.

In practice, execution of a sentence with electronic monitoring entails that the convicted person lives at home and that he or she can only leave the residence in accordance with an agreement with the Norwegian Correctional Service. Normally the convicted person will only be able to leave the residence in connection with work, study or other organised employment.

The convicted person will also have to meet with the Norwegian Correctional Service at least twice a week to participate in activities determined by the Norwegian Correctional Service. The Norwegian Correctional Service will permit a few hours of leave per week which the convicted person may use as he or she wishes. If the convicted person is already serving a prison sentence and has commenced leave, he or she may apply for standard leave. For all convicted persons who serve a sentence with electronic monitoring, it is also possible to apply for compassionate leave if special circumstances should arise, for example, illness to a close family member. In an emergency situation, for example serious illness, for which there is insufficient time to contact the probation office in advance, the probation office must be contacted as soon as this is practically possible.

When execution of the sentence has been initiated, the Norwegian Correctional Service will attach an ankle bracelet to the convicted person. The ankle bracelet must remain attached during the entire execution of the sentence. This ankle bracelet registers whether or not the convicted person is at home. The ankle bracelet is linked to a receiver that is installed at your home. The technical equipment does not register where anyone other than the convicted person is located and is therefore unable to register you or your surroundings.

In addition to it being registered whether the convicted person is at home, the Norwegian Correctional Service will also make unannounced visits to your home. The purpose of such visits is to investigate whether the convicted person has used alcohol or intoxicating substances. Such visits may occur at any time of the day (including at night) and you must permit the Norwegian Correctional Service access to your shared residence. We would emphasise that such control visits are exclusively checks of the convicted person and not of you. Normally notice of an unannounced visit will be given a few minutes in advance and the

control shall take place in the most discreet manner possible. The Norwegian Correctional Service will make the convicted person take a breathalyser test (alcohol test) each time a control is conducted in the home. The Norwegian Correctional Service can also demand that the convicted person provides urine samples for substance abuse controls

After the convicted person has applied for execution of the sentence with electronic monitoring, the probation office will assess whether the convicted person is suitable for this form of serving a sentence. In order to, among other things, assess the technical aspects, the probation office will carry out this suitability assessment at the convicted person's residence.

Before the actual execution of the sentence is initiated, the Norwegian Correctional Service will, together with the convicted person, prepare a plan for execution of the sentence with an activity form. The plan for execution of the sentence contains information about the convicted person, including personal details, the type of work he/she has, work hours etc.

The activity form is a precise overview of the dates and times of the agreements the Norwegian Correctional Service has made with the convicted person. The form states when the convicted person must leave the home and when he or she must be home again and other times, for example, work hours, meetings with the Norwegian Correctional Service, possible time with case officer etc. It is important that the times stipulated are carefully followed, for example, an alarm will be triggered if the convicted person leaves home too late or arrives home too early. When such an alarm is received, the Norwegian Correctional Service will attempt to make contact with the convicted person, if necessary by going to the residence.

Only the Norwegian Correctional Service may approve changes to the plan for execution of the sentence or the activity form. If, for example, the convicted person regularly sleeps in or does not return from work at the agreed time, this will be considered a breach of execution of the sentence. Such a breach may result in the convicted person being sent to prison to serve the remainder of his/her sentence. As mentioned above, it is not permitted to drink alcohol or use other intoxicating substances during execution of a sentence with electronic monitoring. Breach of this condition may also result in the convicted person being sent to prison. We would emphasise that the prohibition against use of alcohol and intoxicating substances during execution of the sentence applies for the convicted person, not for you. You are also under no obligation to give notice if the convicted person is in breach of the prohibition.

You are also under no obligation to notify the Norwegian Correctional Service of other matters relating to the convicted person's execution of the sentence.

Execution of the sentence with electronic monitoring may impact on you to a certain extent. The person you live together must generally be home when he or she is not at work or studying and it is important that you have familiarised yourself with what this form of serving a sentence entails. Be aware that you can withdraw your consent at any time during execution of the sentence. If you wish to withdraw your consent, you must contact the Norwegian Correctional Service in your county. If you withdraw your consent, the convicted person will be sent to prison, or, if this is possible in practice, may be moved to another residence.

You are welcome to contact the Norwegian Correctional Service to obtain further information about the execution of a sentence with electronic monitoring. You can ring or send an email to the probation office in your county. You can also ring to arrange a meeting, either together with the convicted person or alone.