

What if I don't follow the conditions?

If you do not attend or you break any of the conditions of your probation order, your social worker must report this to the court. The court has the power to give you another sentence (including sending you to prison).

If you break the conditions of your parole orders or supervised release orders, the parole board may order that you go back to prison.

Useful addresses

The Tay Project

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Criminal Justice Services

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THE TAY PROJECT

Intervention programme for adults who have been convicted of sexual offences.

INFORMATION FOR CLIENTS

ABOUT THE TAY PROJECT

We offer you a series of individual work and group work, that is aimed at helping convicted sex offenders deal with their offending behaviour.

It is instead of going to prison.

Sex offenders are people who have been convicted of any sexual offences against children or adults.

Who will the Tay Project work with?

We work with adult sex offenders from Dundee, Perth and Kinross, and Angus who have been convicted by the court and have been placed under a legal order such as a probation, parole, or supervised release order.

You must be willing to work with the Tay Project.

How do I get involved?

Our staff are involved in all assessments of convicted sex offenders before they are sentenced or released from prison.

Our staff work jointly with a criminal justice social worker while they prepare a report for the court or parole board and they will interview you to get information for their assessment.

The court may also ask for other reports (for example, from psychiatric or psychological services).

After this assessment, a member of our staff will tell the court or parole board whether they think you are suitable for the programme or not. This will be included with the full report that the criminal justice social worker gives to the court or parole board.

If we recommend probation and the court agrees, it will normally last for three years.

What is the programme?

If you are suitable for the project you must attend and be actively involved as part of your probation, parole or other order.

Your partner or family may also be involved in your progress.

Normally, we will see you on your own for the first three to six months. These meetings will be held jointly with a project worker and your social worker. This period is known as the 'Individual Induction Programme' and will assess how willing you are to do the work and how much you understand about what you have done.

If we think you can work in a small group, we will move you to a programme called 'Tackling Offending Behaviour' and there is a more advanced group programme called 'Relapse Prevention' which you will be able to do later in your order.

If you have difficulty with reading or writing, or you have a learning disability, you can still take part in the programme.

If you have been involved in another programme, either in prison or elsewhere, we can alter the programme to take this into account.