

TITLE 61
PRISONS AND PAROLE
CHAPTER 49
SAFE COMMUNITY REENTRY

§ 4902. **Definitions.** The following words and phrases when used in this chapter shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Reentry Certificate." The certificate to serve as proof of completion of all approved programs while incarcerated and participation in the Safe Community Reentry Program.

§ 4903. **Safe Community Reentry Program.**

(f) Reentry Certificate.-- Prior to an offender's release, the department shall issue the offender a Reentry Certificate indicating at a minimum the following:

(1) Needs assessed treatment programs completed.

(2) Educational programs completed.

i. Activities in this section reflect any academic educational programs completed or enrolled in during the current incarceration; unless completed as part of an institutional-based program, all GED, high school and higher education information shall be self-reported. If an offender self-reported a GED, high school diploma or higher education, this section will display as Self-reported GED/high school diploma or higher education. Otherwise, it will show any academic programs enrolled in by an offender during the current incarceration and show the current status as of the certificate date.

(3) Vocational and Work history.

i. This section includes the offender's job skills, work details, on-the-job training, and vocational education participation.

(4) Personal development and other special programs.

i. This section includes voluntary programming completed by the offender which is beyond the programs required or identified through an assessment. These are programs that offenders believe will enhance their overall development and reentry.

(f.1) Issuance of the Reentry Certificate.-- The department shall provide for the creation and printing of a Reentry Certificate at the facility where the offender is located. The following shall apply:

(1) If, for any reason, an offender is deemed ineligible for release after the printing of a Reentry Certificate, the department shall destroy the Reentry Certificate.

(2) If discrepancies in the information provided on the certificate are discovered, an offender may request a corrective reprint subject to verification by the department.

(3) After release from incarceration, an offender may request copies of the Reentry Certificate from the department. Copies shall be printed and notarized by the facility where the offender was incarcerated.

(f.2) Employer Due Care.-- A Reentry Certificate presented to an employer shall create a presumption of due care as to the hiring of an individual to whom the certificate was issued in relation to their stated programmatic progress, educational advancement, work force skills, and completion of the state Safe Community Reentry Program. Nothing in this section shall relieve the employer from ensuring the completion of any required background clearances, meeting any other related industry standards, or from providing appropriate supervision for the position.