

30 **77-27-21.5. Sex and kidnap offenders -- Registration -- Information system --**
31 **Law enforcement and courts to report -- Penalty -- Effect of expungement.**

32 (1) As used in this section:

33 (a) "Business day" means a day on which state offices are open for regular business.

34 (b) "Department" means the Department of Corrections.

35 (c) "Division" means the Division of Juvenile Justice Services.

36 (d) "Employed" or "carries on a vocation" includes employment that is full time or
37 part time, whether financially compensated, volunteered, or for the purpose of government or
38 educational benefit.

39 (e) "Indian Country" means:

40 (i) all land within the limits of any Indian reservation under the jurisdiction of the
41 United States government, regardless of the issuance of any patent, and includes rights-of-way
42 running through the reservation;

43 (ii) all dependent Indian communities within the borders of the United States whether
44 within the original or subsequently acquired territory, and whether or not within the limits of a
45 state; and

46 (iii) all Indian allotments, including the Indian allotments to which the Indian titles to
47 have not been extinguished, including rights-of-way running through the allotments.

48 (f) "Jurisdiction" means any state, Indian Country, or United States Territory.

49 (g) "Kidnap offender" means any person other than a natural parent of the victim who:

50 (i) has been convicted in this state of a violation of:

51 (A) Section 76-5-301, kidnapping;

52 (B) Section 76-5-301.1, child kidnapping;

53 (C) Section 76-5-302, aggravated kidnapping; or

54 (D) attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit any felony offense listed in

55 Subsections (1)(g)(i)(A) through (C);

56 (ii) has been convicted of any crime, or an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to

57 commit a crime in another jurisdiction that is substantially equivalent to the offenses listed in

58 Subsection (1)(g)(i) and who is:

59 (A) a Utah resident; or

60 (B) not a Utah resident, but who, in any 12 month period, is in this state for a total of
61 10 or more days, regardless of whether or not the offender intends to permanently reside in this
62 state;

63 (iii) is required to register as an offender in any other jurisdiction, and who, in any 12
64 month period, is in this state for a total of 10 or more days, regardless of whether or not the
65 offender intends to permanently reside in this state;

66 (iv) is a nonresident regularly employed or working in this state, or who is a student in
67 this state, and was convicted of one or more offenses listed in Subsection (1)(g), or any
68 substantially equivalent offense in another jurisdiction, or as a result of the conviction, is
69 required to register in the person's state of residence;

70 (v) is found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state or in any other jurisdiction of
71 one or more offenses listed in Subsection (1)(g); or

72 (vi) is adjudicated delinquent based on one or more offenses listed in Subsection
73 (1)(g)(i) and who has been committed to the division for secure confinement and remains in
74 the division's custody 30 days prior to the person's 21st birthday.

75 (h) "Natural parent" means a minor's biological or adoptive parent, and includes the
76 minor's noncustodial parent.

77 (i) "Offender" means a kidnap offender as defined in Subsection (1)(g) or a sex
78 offender as defined in Subsection (1)(n).

79 (j) "Online identifier" or "Internet identifier":

80 (i) means any electronic mail, chat, instant messenger, social networking, or similar
81 name used for Internet communication; and

82 (ii) does not include date of birth, Social Security number, PIN number, or Internet
83 passwords.

84 (k) "Primary residence" means the location where the offender regularly resides, even
85 if the offender intends to move to another location or return to another location at any future

86 date.

87 (l) "Register" means to comply with the requirements of this section and
88 administrative rules of the department made under this section.

89 (m) "Secondary residence" means any real property that the offender owns or has a
90 financial interest in, ~~and~~ or any location where, in any 12 month period, the offender stays
91 overnight a total of 10 or more nights when not staying at the offender's primary residence.

92 (n) "Sex offender" means any person:

93 (i) convicted in this state of:

94 (A) a felony or class A misdemeanor violation of Section 76-4-401, enticing a minor;

95 (B) a felony or class A misdemeanor violation of Section 76-9-702.7, voyeurism;

96 (C) a felony violation of Section 76-5-401, unlawful sexual activity with a minor;

97 (D) Section 76-5-401.1, sexual abuse of a minor;

98 (E) Section 76-5-401.2, unlawful sexual conduct with a 16 or 17 year old;

99 (F) Section 76-5-402, rape;

100 (G) Section 76-5-402.1, rape of a child;

101 (H) Section 76-5-402.2, object rape;

102 (I) Section 76-5-402.3, object rape of a child;

103 (J) a felony violation of Section 76-5-403, forcible sodomy;

104 (K) Section 76-5-403.1, sodomy on a child;

105 (L) Section 76-5-404, forcible sexual abuse;

106 (M) Section 76-5-404.1, sexual abuse of a child or aggravated sexual abuse of a child;

107 (N) Section 76-5-405, aggravated sexual assault;

108 (O) Section 76-5a-3, sexual exploitation of a minor;

109 (P) Section 76-7-102, incest;

110 (Q) Subsection 76-9-702(1), lewdness, if the person has been convicted of the offense
111 four or more times;

112 (R) Subsection 76-9-702(3), sexual battery, if the person has been convicted of the
113 offense four or more times;

114 (S) any combination of convictions of Subsection 76-9-702(1), lewdness, and of
115 Subsection 76-9-702(3), sexual battery, that total four or more convictions;

116 (T) Section 76-9-702.5, lewdness involving a child;

117 (U) Section 76-10-1306, aggravated exploitation of prostitution; or

118 (V) attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit any felony offense listed in
119 Subsection (1)(n)(i);

120 (ii) who has been convicted of any crime, or an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to
121 commit a crime in another jurisdiction that is substantially equivalent to the offenses listed in
122 Subsection (1)(n)(i) and who is:

123 (A) a Utah resident; or

124 (B) not a Utah resident, but who, in any 12 month period, is in this state for a total of
125 10 or more days, regardless of whether the offender intends to permanently reside in this state;

126 (iii) who is required to register as an offender in any other jurisdiction, and who, in
127 any 12 month period, is in the state for a total of 10 or more days, regardless of whether or not
128 the offender intends to permanently reside in this state;

129 (iv) who is a nonresident regularly employed or working in this state or who is a
130 student in this state and was convicted of one or more offenses listed in Subsection (1)(n)(i),
131 or any substantially equivalent offense in any jurisdiction, or as a result of the conviction, is
132 required to register in the person's jurisdiction of residence;

133 (v) who is found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state, or in any other
134 jurisdiction of one or more offenses listed in Subsection (1)(n)(i); or

135 (vi) who is adjudicated delinquent based on one or more offenses listed in Subsection
136 (1)(n)(i) and who has been committed to the division for secure confinement and remains in
137 the division's custody 30 days prior to the person's 21st birthday.

138 (o) "Vehicle" means any motor vehicle, aircraft, or watercraft subject to registration in
139 any jurisdiction.

140 (2) The department, to assist in investigating kidnapping and sex-related crimes, and
141 in apprehending offenders, shall:

- 142 (a) develop and operate a system to collect, analyze, maintain, and disseminate
143 information on offenders and sex and kidnap offenses;
- 144 (b) make information listed in Subsection (27) available to the public; and
145 (c) share information provided by an offender under this section that may not be made
146 available to the public under Subsection (27), but only:
- 147 (i) for the purposes under this Subsection (2); or
148 (ii) in accordance with Section 63G-2-206.
- 149 (3) Any law enforcement agency shall, in the manner prescribed by the department,
150 inform the department of:
- 151 (a) the receipt of a report or complaint of an offense listed in Subsection (1)(g) or (n),
152 within three business days; and
153 (b) the arrest of a person suspected of any of the offenses listed in Subsection (1)(g) or
154 (n), within five business days.
- 155 (4) Upon convicting a person of any of the offenses listed in Subsection (1)(g) or (n),
156 the convicting court shall within three business days forward a copy of the judgment and
157 sentence to the department.
- 158 (5) An offender in the custody of the department shall be registered by agents of the
159 department upon:
- 160 (a) placement on probation;
161 (b) commitment to a secure correctional facility operated by or under contract to the
162 department;
163 (c) release from confinement to parole status, termination or expiration of sentence, or
164 escape;
165 (d) entrance to and release from any community-based residential program operated by
166 or under contract to the department; or
167 (e) termination of probation or parole.
- 168 (6) An offender who is not in the custody of the department and who is confined in a
169 correctional facility not operated by or under contract to the department shall be registered

170 with the department by the sheriff of the county in which the offender is confined, upon:

171 (a) commitment to the correctional facility; and

172 (b) release from confinement.

173 (7) An offender in the custody of the division shall be registered with the department
174 by the division prior to release from custody.

175 (8) An offender committed to a state mental hospital shall be registered with the
176 department by the hospital upon admission and upon discharge.

177 (9) (a) (i) A municipal or county law enforcement agency shall register an offender
178 who resides within the agency's jurisdiction and is not under the supervision of the Division of
179 Adult Probation and Parole within the department.

180 (ii) In order to conduct offender registration under this section, the agency shall ensure
181 the agency staff responsible for registration:

182 (A) has received initial training by the department and has been certified by the
183 department as qualified and authorized to conduct registrations and enter offender registration
184 information into the registry database; and

185 (B) certify annually with the department.

186 (b) (i) When the department receives offender registration information regarding a
187 change of an offender's primary residence location, the department shall within five days
188 electronically notify the law enforcement agencies that have jurisdiction over the area where:

189 (A) the residence that the offender is leaving is located; and

190 (B) the residence to which the offender is moving is located.

191 (ii) The department shall provide notification under this Subsection (9)(b) if the
192 offender's change of address is between law enforcement agency jurisdictions, or is within one
193 jurisdiction.

194 (c) The department shall make available to offenders required to register under this
195 section the name of the agency, whether it is a local law enforcement agency or the
196 department, that the offender should contact to register, the location for registering, and the
197 requirements of registration.

198 (10) An offender convicted by any other jurisdiction is required to register under
199 Subsection (1)(g) or (n) and Subsection (12) and shall register with the department within 10
200 days of entering the state, regardless of the offender's length of stay.

201 (11) (a) An offender required to register under Subsection (1)(g) or (n) who is under
202 supervision by the department shall register with Division of Adult Probation and Parole.

203 (b) An offender required to register under Subsection (1)(g) or (n) who is no longer
204 under supervision by the department shall register with the police department or sheriff's office
205 that has jurisdiction over the area where the offender resides.

206 (12) (a) Except as provided in Subsections (12)(b), (c), and (d), an offender shall, for
207 the duration of the sentence and for 10 years after termination of sentence or custody of the
208 division, register every year during the month of the offender's birth, during the month that is
209 the sixth month after the offender's birth month, and also within three business days of every
210 change of the offender's primary residence, any secondary residences, place of employment,
211 vehicle information, or educational information required to be submitted under Subsection
212 (14).

213 (b) Except as provided Subsections (12)(c) and (d), an offender who is convicted in
214 another jurisdiction of an offense listed in Subsection (1)(g)(i) or (n)(i), a substantially similar
215 offense, or any other offense that requires registration in the jurisdiction of conviction, shall:

216 (i) register for the time period, and in the frequency, required by the jurisdiction where
217 the offender was convicted if that jurisdiction's registration period or registration frequency
218 requirement for the offense that the offender was convicted of is greater than the 10 years from
219 completion of the sentence registration period that is required under Subsection (12)(a), or is
220 more frequent than every six months; or

221 (ii) register in accordance with the requirements of Subsection (12)(a), if the
222 jurisdiction's registration period or frequency requirement for the offense that the offender was
223 convicted of is less than the registration period required under Subsection (12)(a), or is less
224 frequent than every six months.

225 (c) (i) (A) An offender convicted as an adult of any of the offenses listed in Subsection

226 (12)(c)(ii) shall, for the offender's lifetime, register every year during the month of the
227 offender's birth, during the month that is the sixth month after the offender's birth month, and
228 also within three business days of every change of the offender's primary residence, any
229 secondary residences, place of employment, vehicle information, or educational information
230 required to be submitted under Subsection (14).

231 (B) This registration requirement is not subject to exemptions and may not be
232 terminated or altered during the offender's lifetime.

233 (ii) Offenses referred to in Subsection (12)(c)(i) are:

234 (A) any offense listed in Subsection (1)(g) or (n) if, at the time of the conviction, the
235 offender has previously been convicted of an offense listed in Subsection (1)(g) or (n) or has
236 previously been required to register as a sex offender for an offense committed as a juvenile;

237 (B) a conviction for any of the following offenses, including attempting, soliciting, or
238 conspiring to commit any felony of:

239 (I) Section 76-5-301.1, child kidnapping, except if the offender is a natural parent of
240 the victim;

241 (II) Section 76-5-402, rape;

242 (III) Section 76-5-402.1, rape of a child;

243 (IV) Section 76-5-402.2, object rape;

244 (V) Section 76-5-402.3, object rape of a child;

245 (VI) Section 76-5-403.1, sodomy on a child;

246 (VII) Subsection 76-5-404.1(4), aggravated sexual abuse of a child; or

247 (VIII) Section 76-5-405, aggravated sexual assault;

248 (C) Section 76-4-401, a felony violation of enticing a minor over the Internet;

249 (D) Section 76-5-302, aggravated kidnapping, except if the offender is a natural parent
250 of the victim;

251 (E) Section 76-5-403, forcible sodomy;

252 (F) Section 76-5-404.1, sexual abuse of a child; or

253 (G) Section 76-5a-3, sexual exploitation of a minor.

254 (d) Notwithstanding Subsections (12)(a), (b), and (c), an offender who is confined in a
255 secure facility or in a state mental hospital is not required to register during the period of
256 confinement.

257 (e) An offender who is required to register under this Subsection (12) shall surrender
258 the offender's license, certificate, or identification card as required under Subsection
259 53-3-216(3) or 53-3-807(4) and may apply for a license certificate or identification card as
260 provided under Section 53-3-205 or 53-3-804.

261 (f) A sex offender who violates Section 77-27-21.8 while required to register under
262 this section shall register for an additional five years subsequent to the registration period
263 otherwise required under this section.

264 (13) An agency in the state that registers an offender on probation, an offender who
265 has been released from confinement to parole status or termination, or an offender whose
266 sentence has expired shall inform the offender of the duty to comply with:

267 (a) the continuing registration requirements of this section during the period of
268 registration required in Subsection (12), including:

269 (i) notification to the state agencies in the states where the registrant presently resides
270 and plans to reside when moving across state lines;

271 (ii) verification of address at least every 60 days pursuant to a parole agreement for
272 lifetime parolees; and

273 (iii) notification to the out-of-state agency where the offender is living, whether or not
274 the offender is a resident of that state; and

275 (b) the driver license certificate or identification card surrender requirement under
276 Subsection 53-3-216(3) or 53-3-807(4) and application provisions under Section 53-3-205 or
277 53-3-804.

278 (14) An offender shall provide the department or the registering entity with the
279 following information:

280 (a) all names and aliases by which the offender is or has been known;

281 (b) the addresses of the offender's primary and secondary residences;

282 (c) a physical description, including the offender's date of birth, height, weight, eye
283 and hair color;

284 (d) the make, model, color, year, plate number, and vehicle identification number of
285 any vehicle or vehicles the offender owns or regularly drives;

286 (e) a current photograph of the offender;

287 (f) a set of fingerprints, if one has not already been provided;

288 (g) a DNA specimen, taken in accordance with Section 53-10-404, if one has not
289 already been provided;

290 (h) telephone numbers and any other designations used by the offender for routing or
291 self-identification in telephonic communications from fixed locations or cellular telephones;

292 (i) Internet identifiers and the addresses the offender uses for routing or
293 self-identification in Internet communications or postings;

294 (j) the name and Internet address of all websites on which the [sex] offender is
295 registered using an online identifier, including all online identifiers used to access those
296 websites;

297 (k) a copy of the offender's passport, if a passport has been issued to the offender;

298 (l) if the offender is an alien, all documents establishing the offender's immigration
299 status;

300 (m) all professional licenses that authorize the offender to engage in an occupation or
301 carry out a trade or business, including any identifiers, such as numbers;

302 (n) each educational institution in Utah at which the offender is employed, carries on a
303 vocation, or is a student, and any change of enrollment or employment status of the offender at
304 any educational institution;

305 (o) the name and the address of any place where the offender is employed or will be
306 employed;

307 (p) the name and the address of any place where the offender works as a volunteer or
308 will work as a volunteer; and

309 (q) the offender's Social Security number.

- 310 (15) The department shall:
- 311 (a) provide the following additional information when available:
- 312 (i) the crimes the offender has been convicted of or adjudicated delinquent for;
- 313 (ii) a description of the offender's primary and secondary targets; and
- 314 (iii) any other relevant identifying information as determined by the department;
- 315 (b) maintain the Sex Offender Notification and Registration website; and
- 316 (c) ensure that the registration information collected regarding an offender's
- 317 enrollment or employment at an educational institution is:
- 318 (i) (A) promptly made available to any law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction
- 319 where the institution is located if the educational institution is an institution of higher
- 320 education; or
- 321 (B) promptly made available to the district superintendent of the school district where
- 322 the offender is enrolled if the educational institution is an institution of primary education; and
- 323 (ii) entered into the appropriate state records or data system.
- 324 (16) (a) An offender who knowingly fails to register under this section or provides
- 325 false or incomplete information is guilty of:
- 326 (i) a third degree felony and shall be sentenced to serve a term of incarceration for not
- 327 less than 90 days and also at least one year of probation if:
- 328 (A) the offender is required to register for a felony conviction or adjudicated
- 329 delinquent for what would be a felony if the juvenile were an adult of an offense listed in
- 330 Subsection (1)(g)(i) or (n)(i); or
- 331 (B) the offender is required to register for the offender's lifetime under Subsection
- 332 (12)(c); or
- 333 (ii) a class A misdemeanor and shall be sentenced to serve a term of incarceration for
- 334 not fewer than 90 days and also at least one year of probation if the offender is required to
- 335 register for a misdemeanor conviction or is adjudicated delinquent for what would be a
- 336 misdemeanor if the juvenile were an adult of an offense listed in Subsection (1)(g)(i) or (n)(i).
- 337 (b) Neither the court nor the Board of Pardons and Parole may release a person who

338 violates this section from serving the term required under Subsection (16)(a). This Subsection
339 (16)(b) supersedes any other provision of the law contrary to this section.

340 (c) The offender shall register for an additional year for every year in which the
341 offender does not comply with the registration requirements of this section.

342 (17) Notwithstanding Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government Records Access and
343 Management Act, information under Subsection (15) that is collected and released under
344 Subsection (27) is public information, unless otherwise restricted under Subsection (2)(c).

345 (18) (a) If an offender is to be temporarily sent outside a secure facility in which the
346 offender is confined on any assignment, including, without limitation, firefighting or disaster
347 control, the official who has custody of the offender shall, within a reasonable time prior to
348 removal from the secure facility, notify the local law enforcement agencies where the
349 assignment is to be filled.

350 (b) This Subsection (18) does not apply to any person temporarily released under
351 guard from the institution in which the person is confined.

352 (19) Notwithstanding Sections 77-18-9 through 77-18-14 regarding expungement, a
353 person convicted of any offense listed in Subsection (1)(g) or (n) is not relieved from the
354 responsibility to register as required under this section.

355 (20) Notwithstanding Section 42-1-1, an offender:

356 (a) may not change the offender's name:

357 (i) while under the jurisdiction of the department; and

358 (ii) until the registration requirements of this statute have expired; and

359 (b) may not change the offender's name at any time, if registration is for life under
360 Subsection (12)(c).

361 (21) The department may make administrative rules necessary to implement this
362 section, including:

363 (a) the method for dissemination of the information; and

364 (b) instructions to the public regarding the use of the information.

365 (22) Any information regarding the identity or location of a victim shall be redacted

366 by the department from information provided under Subsections (14) and (15).

367 (23) This section does not create or impose any duty on any person to request or
368 obtain information regarding any sex offender from the department.

369 (24) The department shall maintain a Sex Offender Notification and Registration
370 website on the Internet, which shall contain a disclaimer informing the public:

371 (a) the information contained on the site is obtained from offenders and the
372 department does not guarantee its accuracy or completeness;

373 (b) members of the public are not allowed to use the information to harass or threaten
374 offenders or members of their families; and

375 (c) harassment, stalking, or threats against offenders or their families are prohibited
376 and doing so may violate Utah criminal laws.

377 (25) The Sex Offender Notification and Registration website shall be indexed by both
378 the surname of the offender and by postal codes.

379 (26) The department shall construct the Sex Offender Notification and Registration
380 website so that users, before accessing registry information, must indicate that they have read
381 the disclaimer, understand it, and agree to comply with its terms.

382 (27) The Sex Offender Notification and Registration website shall include the
383 following registry information:

384 (a) all names and aliases by which the offender is or has been known, but not
385 including any online or Internet identifiers;

386 (b) the addresses of the offender's primary, secondary, and temporary residences;

387 (c) a physical description, including the offender's date of birth, height, weight, and
388 eye and hair color;

389 (d) the make, model, color, year, and plate number of any vehicle or vehicles the
390 offender owns or regularly drives;

391 (e) a current photograph of the offender;

392 (f) a list of all professional licenses that authorize the offender to engage in an
393 occupation or carry out a trade or business;

394 (g) each educational institution in Utah at which the offender is employed, carries on a
395 vocation, or is a student;

396 (h) a list of places where the offender works as a volunteer; and

397 (i) the crimes listed in Subsections (1)(g) and (1)(n) that the offender has been
398 convicted of or for which the offender has been adjudicated delinquent in juvenile court.

399 (28) The department, its personnel, and any individual or entity acting at the request or
400 upon the direction of the department are immune from civil liability for damages for good
401 faith compliance with this section and will be presumed to have acted in good faith by
402 reporting information.

403 (29) The department shall redact information that, if disclosed, could reasonably
404 identify a victim.

405 (30) (a) Each offender required to register under Subsection (12) shall, in the month of
406 the offender's birth, pay to the department an annual fee of \$100 each year the offender is
407 subject to the registration requirements of this section.

408 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (30)(a), an offender who is confined in a secure
409 facility or in a state mental hospital is not required to pay the annual fee.

410 (c) The department shall deposit fees under this Subsection (30) in the General Fund
411 as a dedicated credit, to be used by the department for maintaining the offender registry under
412 this section and monitoring offender registration compliance, including the costs of:

413 (i) data entry;

414 (ii) processing registration packets;

415 (iii) updating registry information;

416 (iv) ensuring offender compliance with registration requirements under this section;

417 and

418 (v) apprehending offenders who are in violation of the offender registration
419 requirements under this section.

420 (31) Notwithstanding Subsections (2)(c) and (14)(i) and (j), a sex offender is not
421 required to provide the department with:

422 (a) the offender's online identifier and password used exclusively for the offender's
423 employment on equipment provided by an employer and used to access the employer's private
424 network; or

425 (b) online identifiers for the offender's financial accounts, including any bank,
426 retirement, or investment accounts.