

Reparation Order

What is a Reparation Order?

- A court order for young people aged 10-17 years old.
- The purpose of the order is to prevent you from offending in the future.
- The order aims to help you understand the consequences for the victim of the crime(s) you have committed.
- The order enables you to make good the harm you have caused.

What do I have to do?

- You have to complete a programme of reparation within the next three months
- It may be that you are expected to meet with your victim(s) to listen to their views and apologise in some way for what you have done.
- If it is not appropriate for you to meet the victim(s) directly you may be required to complete some work or activity within the community.
- This will have been agreed with you before you attend court.

The basic requirements

You must:

- Attend all the appointments given to you by your Youth Offending Team Officer.
- Allow your YOT Officer to see you at home when required.
- Complete the tasks expected of you as set out in your Reparation Order.
- Let your YOT Officer know if you change your address.

What happens if I don't keep to the requirements?

- Your YOT Officer will be monitoring your progress on your order. If you are failing to meet the basic requirements you will be asked for an explanation and your YOT Officer will decide if your reason is acceptable.
- If you fail to attend one appointment you will receive a warning letter reminding you of the requirements of your court order.
- If you continue to break the conditions of your order you will be returned to court for breach action.

What if I have problems with the order?

- We want you to complete this order successfully. If you are having problems attending appointments or are struggling with the work being asked of you it is really important that you let your responsible officer know.

What will happen if I am taken back to court?

- You will need to explain to the court that you have failed to meet the requirements of your order.
- The court will then either:
 - Order you to complete your Reparation Order.
 - Impose a fine up to £1,000.
 - Cancel the Reparation Order and give you a new sentence.

What happens at the end?

- Your YOT Officer will contact you to confirm that your order has been completed.
- Your YOT Officer will contact any people you have worked with during the order and get feedback. This will be passed on to you.

Equal Opportunities:

We seek to treat everybody fairly and without discrimination. We will not accept racist, sexist or any other offensive remarks or behavior from members of staff or young people and their families.

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