

Standard Conditions of Supervision may vary based on the date of the offense. Additional Special Conditions of Supervision will vary from case to case. While we strive to provide accurate and up to date content, it is not guaranteed to be complete or correct. Always follow the conditions given to you by your U.S. Probation Officer.

District of Massachusetts

Standard Conditions of Supervision

These are the standard conditions of supervision or probation the Court must impose.
This does not include special conditions the court may impose.

1. The defendant shall not leave the judicial district without the permission of the court or probation officer.
2. The defendant shall report to the probation officer in a manner and frequency directed by the court or probation officer.
3. The defendant shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow the instructions of the probation officer.
4. The defendant shall support his or her dependents and meet other family responsibilities.
5. The defendant shall work regularly at a lawful occupation unless excused by the probation officer for schooling, training, or other acceptable reasons.
6. The defendant shall notify the probation officer at least ten days prior to any change in residence or employment.
7. The defendant shall refrain from excessive use of alcohol and shall not purchase, possess, use, distribute, or administer any controlled substance or any paraphernalia related to any controlled substance, except as prescribed by a physician.
8. The defendant shall not frequent places where controlled substances are illegally sold, used, distributed, or administered.
9. The defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony, unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer.
10. The defendant shall permit a probation officer to visit him or her at any time at home or elsewhere and shall permit confiscation of any contraband observed in plain view of the probation officer.
11. The defendant shall notify the probation officer within 72 hours of being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer.
12. The defendant shall not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or a special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission of the court.
13. As directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks due to the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to the defendant's compliance with such notification requirement.

Travel Restrictions

You are allowed to travel freely within the state but are required to report any in-state travel of 72 hours or more.

Unless you are given permission in advance by the judge in your case, any requests to travel outside of the state must be approved in advance by your U.S. Probation Officer. Failure to do so may result in a violation of your supervision. 14 days' notice is required for all travel requests.

If you reside near the border of another state, speak to your Probation Officer about obtaining limited permission to travel to that state.

Please note that foreign travel must be approved by the Court and requires at least 30 days' notice along with consent from the consulate of the country to which you plan to travel.