

## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

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#### 2025 Registration Law Updates for Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators

Pursuant to House Bill 1351, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) provides this notice to highlight updates to Florida's sexual offender and predator registration laws that impact those required to register.

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#### **Updates to Residency Definitions**

"Permanent residence" means a place where the person abides, lodges, or resides for 3 or more consecutive days that is the person's home or other place where the person primarily lives.

"Temporary residence" now includes an "in-state travel residence" as a type of temporary residence:

"In-state travel residence" means a temporary residence in Florida established by a person who already has an existing permanent, temporary, or transient residence in Florida.

### <u>Updates to Reporting Residency and Name Changes within Florida</u>

Any change in permanent, temporary, or transient residence within Florida, or change in name by reason of marriage or other legal process, must be reported in person to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) within 48 hours after the change. If unable to secure or update a driver license or identification (ID) card with DHSMV within 48 hours as required, the sexual offender or predator shall report these changes within 48 hours after the change in person to the sheriff's office in the county in which the sexual offender or predator lives or is otherwise located. These reporting requirements do not negate the requirement to obtain a driver license or ID card as required under Florida's registration laws. This paragraph does not apply to an in-state travel residence.

An **in-state travel residence** shall be reported within 48 hours after establishing the residence. Where to report an in-state travel residence depends on the sexual offender's or predator's supervision status:

- For those NOT on supervision, it shall be reported online through the Cyber Communication System or in person at the sheriff's office in the county in which the sexual offender or predator is located.
- For those under custody, control, or supervision with the Department of Corrections (DOC) or the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), it shall be reported in person to DOC or DJJ.

#### **Updates to Address Verifications**

For those who are not under the care, custody, control, or supervision of DOC, county and local law enforcement agencies are **required** to verify the addresses of sexual offenders <u>at least one time per calendar year</u> and of sexual predators <u>at least four times per calendar year</u>. County and local law enforcement agencies are **authorized** to verify the addresses of sexual offenders and predators who are under the care, custody, control, or supervision of DOC.

Sexual offenders and predators **must** respond to any address verification correspondence from FDLE or county or local law enforcement agencies within 3 weeks after the date of the correspondence. Address verifications are <u>not the same</u> as in-person biannual or quarterly reregistration. Completion of an address verification by a local agency or FDLE does NOT alter or negate in-person biannual or quarterly reregistration requirements.

#### **Updates to Reporting Employment Information**

Employment information required to be reported includes <u>occupation</u>, <u>business name</u>, <u>employment address</u>, <u>and telephone number</u>.

Changes to employment information, <u>including the creation of a new business if self-employed and termination of existing employment</u>, are required to be reported within 48 hours after the change. How to report changes to employment has not changed.

# Register Certain Information Online with FDLE's Cyber Communication System (CCS)



- Visit the website: https://offender.fdle.state.fl.us/ccs
- Log in with your username and password:
  - Your username is located on your registration form. You may also get it from the sheriff's office or by calling FDLE at 888-357-7332.
  - o If you forget your password, call FDLE to reset it.
- If you are NOT under supervision with DOC or DJJ, CCS is available to report or update:
  - o Internet Identifiers and Email Addresses (within 48 hours of use)
  - Phone Numbers (within 48 hours of a change)
  - o **Employment Information** (within 48 hours of a change)
  - o Campus Information (within 48 hours of a change)
  - Vehicles Owned (within 48 hours of a change)
  - o **In-State Travel** (within 48 hours of establishing an in-state travel residence)

Those not on supervision have the option to report the above information in person to the sheriff's office rather than using CCS. Sexual offenders and predators under the custody, control, or supervision of DOC or DJJ are required to report changes to the above information (<u>except</u> vehicles owned) directly to their supervising agency. Sexual offenders and predators under the supervision of DOC or DJJ are required to report changes to vehicles owned in person to the sheriff's office.

For quick access to Florida's sexual offender/predator registration laws and to access registration related frequently asked questions (FAQs), visit the sexual offenders/predators section of the FDLE Mobile App. You can download the app by scanning the QR codes or by searching "FDLE" in your mobile device's app store. You can also access CCS via the QR code below.







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Florida statutes are also available online at https://www.flsenate.gov/Laws/Statutes. FAQs are available at https://offender.fdle.state.fl.us/offender/sops/faq.jsf. FDLE cannot provide legal advice on registration requirements. If you have questions regarding your registration requirements, please contact your local sheriff's office.