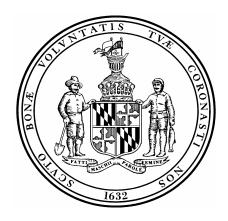
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Preface

The Maryland sentencing guidelines cover most criminal cases originating in a circuit court. Based on sentencing experience in Maryland, the guidelines were first developed, with staff assistance, by a board of judges, legislators and other representatives of the criminal justice system.

The chief goals of sentencing guidelines are:

- 1. To increase equity in sentencing by reducing unwarranted disparity, including any racial disparity, while retaining judicial discretion to individualize sentences;
- 2. To articulate an explicit sentencing policy while providing a regular basis for policy review and change;
- 3. To provide information for new or rotating judges; and
- 4. To promote increased visibility and aid public understanding of the sentencing process.

Sentencing guidelines make it possible to take into account systematically and publicly the most common variations in offenders and their offenses, within the current sentencing framework. In cooperation with the judiciary, State's Attorneys, Public Defenders, and others in the criminal justice system, the State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy can help achieve systematic sentencing by identifying and assigning weights to core, objective factors for consideration by judges in making sentencing decisions. It should be emphasized that sentencing guidelines are, as the name indicates, guidelines to assist judges in sentencing. The guidelines are not mandatory. Guidelines complement rather than replace the judicial decision-making process and the proper exercise of judicial discretion.

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Scope

The Maryland sentencing guidelines apply to criminal cases originating in a circuit court. The following sentencing matters handled by judges in a circuit court are excluded from guidelines coverage:

- Prayers for jury trial from District Court;
- Appeals from District Court;
- Crimes that carry no possible penalty of incarceration;
- First Degree Murder convictions if the death penalty is sought under Article 27 §413, Annotated Code of Maryland;
- Public local laws and municipal ordinances.

Under Article 41, \$21-106(f)(2)¹, Annotated Code of Maryland, the sentencing guidelines are voluntary and may not be construed to require a court to sentence a defendant as prescribed by the guidelines.

A list of many Maryland criminal offenses and their corresponding seriousness categories appear in Appendix A. If an offense is not listed in Appendix A, the individual completing the guidelines worksheet shall use the seriousness category for the closest analogous offense. In such instances, the sentencing judge and the parties shall be notified.

¹ In October 2001, this and other sections of Article 41 will be moved to the new Criminal Procedure Article.

Definitions

ABA Plea Agreement	A plea agreement that a court has approved relating to a particular sentence, disposition, or other judicial action. The agreement is binding on the court under Maryland Rule 4-243(c).		
Cell	The intersection of the offense score (or seriousness category) and the offender score on a two-variable guideline matrix.		
Departure	A judicially imposed sentence that falls outside of the recommended sentencing guidelines range.		
Drug Offense	An offense involving controlled dangerous substances or paraphernalia.		
Guidelines Offense	Offense originating in a circuit court.		
	Guidelines offense <i>includes</i> new trials and re-sentencings ordered by appellate courts, provided the original offense was also a guidelines offense.		
	Guidelines offense <i>does not</i> include:		
	• Prayers for jury trial from District Court;		
	• Appeals from District Court;		
	• Offenses that carry no possible penalty of incarceration;		
	• First Degree Murder offenses if the death penalty is sought under Article 27, §413, Annotated Code of Maryland;		
	• Public local laws and municipal ordinances.		
Guidelines Range	The recommended sentencing range for offenders who fall within a particular cell of the person, drug, and property offense sentencing matrices.		
Judge	The trial judge who imposes or alters a sentence or a panel of trial judges who alter a sentence.		

Multiple Criminal Events	More than one criminal transaction committed over a period of time. Multiple criminal events being sentenced together may have occurred on the same or different dates. Offenses that occur on different dates are almost always separate criminal events.		
Offender Score	A summary score ranging from 0 to 9 measuring an offender's prior criminal history and calculated for use in the person, drug, and property offense sentencing matrices.		
Offense Score	A summary score ranging from 1 to 15 measuring the seriousness of a person offense and calculated for use in the person offense sentencing matrix.		
Person Offense	An offense involving:		
	a. a confrontation between the offender and the victim, including offenses with bodily harm or the threat of bodily harm to a victim; or		
	b. weapons.		
Property Offense	An offense where property is unlawfully damaged or taken.		
PSI	A pre-sentence investigation prepared in accordance with §6- 112 of the Correctional Services Article.		
Sentencing Guidelines Worksheet	•		
Seriousness Category	An offense ranking ranging from I to VII, where I designates the most serious criminal offenses and VII designates the least serious criminal offenses.		
Single Criminal Event	One or more crimes committed in the course of the same transaction.		
Special Vulnerability of Victim			
	a. younger than 11 years old;		
	b. 65 years old or older; or		
	c. physically or mentally handicapped. The handicap may be temporary or permanent. Physically or mentally handicapped shall include any person who is either physically or mentally limited in any material way.		
Victim Injury	Physical or psychological injury to the crime victim. The cause of physical or psychological injury is directly linked to the conduct of the defendant in the commission of the convicted offense.		

Weapon Usage	The use of any article or device which reasonably appears capable of causing injury or any article that could result in conviction under Article 27, $\$36(a)(1)(2)$, Annotated Code of Maryland. Specific rules regarding the application of the weapon usage enhancement are found in section 5.1(C).
'White Collar' Offense	A property offense, identified as an illegal act or series of illegal acts committed by other than physical means and by concealment or guile to obtain money or property, to avoid payment or loss of money or property, or to obtain business or professional advantage.

Sentencing Guidelines Worksheet Completion and Distribution

3.1 Single Criminal Event

The Sentencing Guidelines Worksheet is to be used for up to three convicted offenses from a single criminal event. A single criminal event is defined as one or more crimes committed in the course of the same transaction. If there are more than three convicted offenses from a single criminal event, additional worksheets are to be used as needed.

3.2 Multiple Criminal Events

Multiple criminal events means more than one criminal transaction committed over a period of time. Multiple criminal events being sentenced together may have occurred on the same or different dates. Offenses that occur on different dates are almost always separate criminal events.

The individual completing the worksheet is to use at least one worksheet for each event. Multiple events should not be compiled on a single worksheet.

3.3 Sentencing Guidelines Worksheet Completion

Prior to a sentencing decision using the guidelines, an individual should complete the worksheet down to the section labeled "Actual Sentence" and include each convicted offense for which the offender is to be sentenced. *Only convicted offenses are to be included on the worksheet*. Each of these convicted offenses for which the offender is to be sentenced should be included. Merged offenses should not be included on the guidelines worksheet. A blank copy of the worksheet can be found on page 8.

If the judge orders a pre-sentence investigation (PSI), an agent of the Division of Parole and Probation shall complete each worksheet to the section labeled "Actual Sentence." The agent should send to the court the first four copies, together with the PSI and the Maryland Sentencing Guidelines Criteria for Prior Record form issued by the State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy. The last two copies should be sent to the State's Attorney and the defense attorney, respectively, in compliance with the "sufficient time to investigate" requirement of Maryland Rule 4-341.

If the judge does not order a PSI, the judge may complete the worksheet personally or delegate the task to counsel or the judge's staff.

Regardless of who completes the worksheet, the judge shall review the worksheets for completeness and for accuracy.

3.4 Actual Sentence Completed By Judge

At sentencing, the actual sentence and any changes on the worksheet should be entered by the judge and recorded by the two attorneys on their copies. Complete sentencing information for each convicted offense must be provided on the worksheet including incarceration time imposed, amount of time suspended, credit for time served, whether sentence is concurrent or consecutive, length of probation, amount of fine and/or restitution, and community service imposed.

3.5 Pre-Sentencing Distribution of Sentencing Guidelines Worksheets

The individual who completes the final portions of the worksheet should forward a copy of each completed worksheet to both the State and the defense so that they will have an opportunity to review the information provided. The State and the defense shall bring any disagreements between them to the judge's attention prior to sentencing. Changes in the worksheet may be made only by or with the approval of the judge.

3.6 Post-Sentencing Worksheet Distribution

After sentencing, the clerk shall distribute copies according to individual court practice. The blue copy shall be sent to the State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy. If the court orders probation, the clerk shall forward a copy of the worksheet to the appropriate probation office. The clerk shall forward a copy of the worksheet to the agency that has been ordered to retain custody of the defendant. An agency receiving an inmate eligible for parole shall duplicate its worksheet and forward a copy of the worksheet to the Parole Commission. Table 3-1 on the next page provides distribution information for the worksheet copies.

Table 3-1. Distribution of Worksheets

White	Sentencing Judge	
Blue	Maryland State Sentencing Commission	
Green	 Depends on the sentence: a. Attach to commitment order if defendant receives any period of incarceration; <i>or</i> b. Attach to probation order if defendant is put on probation immediately; and c. If the case is a split sentence, the preparer is to send a photocopy to the Division of Parole and Probation. 	
Yellow	Court File	
Pink	State's Attorney	
Gold	Defense Attorney	

Guidelines Worksheet Goes Here!

Case Information

The top section of the guidelines worksheet contains space for important case information that is essential for maintaining a statewide sentencing guidelines database. This chapter provides instructions for completing the top section as well as other portions of the worksheet.

4.1 Race and Ethnicity

The "Race" box at the top of the guidelines worksheet requests information about the defendant's racial makeup. The racial categories provided are those required by State Government Article, § 10-606 (C).

Additionally, the information in the "Ethnicity" box is requested pursuant to State Government Article, 10-606 (C)(4) which states:

A form that requires identification of individuals by race shall include a separate question about whether a respondent is of Hispanic or Latino origin, with the question preceding the racial category question.

When possible, defendants must select their own answers to the race and ethnicity questions.

4.2 Jurisdiction Code

The person preparing the guidelines worksheet should record in the "Jurisdiction" box the numeric code that corresponds to the jurisdiction in which the case was heard. Table 4-1 on the next page contains the numeric code for each jurisdiction in the state.

Jurisdiction	Code
Allegany	01
Anne Arundel	02
Baltimore County	03
Calvert	04
Caroline	05
Carroll	06
Cecil	07
Charles	08
Dorchester	09
Frederick	10
Garrett	11
Harford	12
Howard	13
Kent	14
Montgomery	15
Prince George's	16
Queen Anne's	17
St. Mary's	18
Somerset	19
Talbot	20
Washington	21
Wicomico	22
Worcester	23
Baltimore City	24

Table 4-1. Jurisdiction Codes

4.3 Convicted Offenses

In the space for the number of convicted offenses at this sentencing write the total number of offenses for which one judge must impose a specific sentence at one time and place. If the sentencing involves more than one criminal event, the number of convicted offenses is the sum of all offenses in all events. Merged offenses shall not be placed on the worksheet and may not be considered in calculating the guidelines range or in any of the worksheet computations. If the worksheet is completed before the sentencing hearing and offenses are listed that later are merged at sentencing, the judge shall clearly indicate on the worksheet which offenses have become merged.

4.4 Number of Criminal Events

In the space for the number of criminal events at this sentencing, write the total number of criminal events being sentenced at this time. A single criminal event is one or more offenses committed in the course of the same transaction. Multiple criminal events being sentenced together may have occurred on the same or different dates. Offenses that occur on different dates are almost always separate criminal events. The sentencing judge shall resolve any disputes about the number of criminal events.

4.5 Page Numbering of Worksheets.

Multiple worksheets may be required for a single sentencing event. The worksheets should be numbered consecutively in the space provided for worksheet number.

When there is only one criminal event and more than three convicted offenses, additional worksheets should be attached. These worksheets should be numbered consecutively in the "Worksheet #" space but, since there is only one criminal event, each should be marked with a "1" in the "Criminal Event #" space.

Example: An offender is being sentenced for five offenses, all part of the same criminal event. Two worksheets should be prepared, one containing three of the offenses and identified as "WORKSHEET #_1_OF CRIMINAL EVENT # 1_" and the second containing the other two offenses and identified as "WORKSHEET #_2_OF CRIMINAL EVENT #_1_."

When a sentencing event consists of more than one criminal event, the individual completing the worksheets should maintain a separate count of worksheets for *each criminal event*. If this is the case, the individual completing the worksheets shall number "Criminal Event #" space chronologically by date of offense.

Example: An offender is being sentenced for five offenses, two from one criminal event and three from another event that occurred a month later. Again, two worksheets should be prepared, however the numbering will be different. The first worksheet, containing the two offenses from the first criminal event, should be identified as "WORKSHEET #_1_OF CRIMINAL EVENT #_1_" and the second worksheet, containing the three offenses from the second criminal event, should be identified as "WORKSHEET #_1_OF CRIMINAL EVENT #_1_" OF CRIMINAL EVENT #_2_."

4.6 Disposition Type

The disposition type refers to the nature and circumstances of the conviction and sentencing. Since the probation agent frequently lacks this information, *the sentencing judge should make sure it is included*. The "Disposition" box on the guidelines worksheet should be marked according to the conditions described in Table 4-2.

ABA Plea Agreement	The disposition resulted from a plea agreement that a court has approved relating to a particular sentence, disposition, or other judicial action and the agreement is binding on the court under Maryland Rule 4-243 (c).
Non-ABA Plea Agreement	The disposition resulted from a plea agreement reached by the parties but that was not approved by, and thus not binding on, the court.
Plea, No Agreement	The defendant pled guilty without any agreement from the prosecutor or judge to perform in a particular way.
Bench Trial	The disposition ultimately resulted from a bench trial.
Jury Trial	The disposition ultimately resulted from a jury trial.
Reconsideration	The current sentencing event is a reconsideration of a previously imposed sentence.
Review	Pursuant to Art. 27, § 645JA, the current sentencing event is a panel review of a previously imposed sentence.

Table 4-2. Disposition Types

4.7 Representation

In the box labeled "Representation," the person completing the worksheet should mark the numbered circle that corresponds to the type of legal representation the defendant received in the case.

4.8 Victim Information

The person completing the worksheet shall provide the victim information requested in the designated space on the worksheet. As outlined in Table 4-3, the information requested includes whether there was a written or an oral Victim Impact Statement (VIS), whether the victim was notified of and present at the sentencing, whether the victim was notified of a plea agreement, and whether the victim filed a notification request form (NRF), among other information.

Written VIS	Was a written victim impact statement prepared? Article 27, §781; Article 47, Maryland Declaration of Rights		
Oral VIS	Did victim or State make a request for an oral VIS by victim? Article 27, §780; Article 47, Maryland Declaration of Rights		
Victim Present	Was the victim present at sentencing? Article 27, §857; Article 47, Maryland Declaration of Rights		
Victim Notified Plea	Was victim notified of the terms and conditions of a plea agreement prior to entry of a plea? Article 27, §770		
NRF	Was a notification request form (NRF) filed by a victim? Article 27, §770		
Victim Notified Date	Was victim notified of the court date for sentencing? Article 27, §770		
Indigence Established	Did defendant establish indigence to waive court costs established under Article 27, § 830. Courts Article, § 7-405		
CICB Costs Imposed	Were Criminal Injury Compensation Board (CICB) costs imposed? Article 27, § 831		
No Contact with Victim	Did victim or State make a request that Defendant have no contact with victim? Article 27, § 781(d)(6)		
Parole Notification	Did judge request notification of parole release hearing? Correctional Services Article, § 7-802		

4.9 Convicted Offense Title

Spaces are provided on each worksheet for listing up to three convicted offense titles for a single criminal event (whether the same or different docket numbers). Convicted offense titles may be abbreviated but should be as specific as possible.

Example: The offense title for a drug violation (even if it is a conspiracy or attempt) should include the name of the drug and whether possession, distribution, etc. was involved. Property offenses should include any relevant dollar amount distinctions, such as "Misdemeanor Theft" (theft under \$500) or "Felony Extortion" (\$500 or More).

4.10 Maryland Code, Article & Section

The person completing the worksheet shall identify the Maryland Code reference for each convicted offense. The reference should include the name or number of the article, the section number **and** any subsection letters or numbers. If the substantive offense and the penalty for the offense are in separate sections or subsections, both should be referenced.

"Common Law" should be written in this space if the source of the offense is the common law. Some common law offenses have penalty provisions in the Maryland Code. In such cases, the Code reference should also be included.

4.11 CJIS Code

The person completing the worksheet should record in the designated space the CJIS code that corresponds to the convicted offense. The CJIS codes can be found in Appendix A (table of offenses). If there are multiple CJIS codes for a listed offense and it is not known which code corresponds to the specific offense conduct, the space can be left blank.

4.12 Statutory Maximum & Mandatory Minimum Penalties

The maximum penalty prescribed for each convicted offense should be recorded in the designated space on the worksheet.

If the offense carries a mandatory minimum penalty, such penalty should be recorded in the designated space on the worksheet.

4.13 Signatures

Spaces are provided at the bottom of the worksheet for the name and signature of the sentencing judge and the name of the person or persons completing the worksheet. *Both names should be legible*.

Note

Each of these notices must be provided by the appropriate parties: the Guidelines worksheet information is for statistical purposes only and will not substitute for actual notice. For example, on the worksheet, "No Contact with Victim," refers to the fact that the victim has made that request in accordance with the proper procedures. Simply checking this box on the worksheet will not substitute for the victim's actually filling out the necessary paperwork.

Guidelines Scoring

For offenses against persons, an offense score and an offender score must be computed for each offense to be sentenced. Since there are no special offense characteristics to be used in determining the guidelines sentence for drug and property offenses, only an offender score needs to be computed for them.

5.1 Computation of the Offense Score (Offenses Against a Person Only)

The offense score for each convicted offense is derived by totaling the points given for certain factors of that offense. Items factually established may be included even if not within the scope of the convicted offense, e.g., weapon usage in a robbery conviction or victim injury in a handgun violation conviction.

A firearm offense is considered a person offense under guidelines.

The four elements of the offense score appear as on the worksheet in Table 5-1. A column of offense scores is provided on the worksheet for each of three possible offenses within a single criminal event.

1 st Off.	2 nd Off.	3 rd Off.	A. Seriousness Category
01	01	01	= V – VII
03	03	03	= IV
05	05	05	= III
08	08	08	= II
10	10	10	= I
1 st Off.	2 nd Off.	3 rd Off.	B. Victim Injury
0	0	0	= No Injury
1	1	1	= Injury, Non-Permanent
2	2	2	= Permanent Injury or Death
1 st Off.	2 nd Off.	3 rd Off.	C. Weapon Usage
0	0	0	= No Weapon
1	1	1	= Weapon Other than Firearm
2	2	2	= Firearm or Explosive
1 st Off.	2 nd Off.	3 rd Off.	D. Special Vulnerability
0	0	0	= No
1	1	1	= Yes
			OFFENSE SCORE (S)

Table 5-1. Offense Score (Offense Against a Person Only)

Elements of the Offense Score:

A. Seriousness Category of the Convicted Offense

The individual completing the worksheet shall assign points based on the seriousness category of the convicted offense. Appendix A contains a list of Maryland criminal offenses and their assigned seriousness categories.

If an offense has not been assigned a seriousness category, the individual completing the worksheet should use the closest analogous offense and the sentencing judge and the parties should be notified.

Conspiracy, attempt, solicitation, or accessoryship. Unless placed in a different category or specifically addressed by separate statute, the individual completing the worksheet shall consider a conspiracy, attempt, or solicitation in the same seriousness category as the substantive offense. The individual completing the worksheet shall specify the substantive illegal activity involved, and the substantive offense's Annotated Code of Maryland article and section number, if any.

An accessory before the fact offense shall be one seriousness category below the substantive offense *if there was a specific verdict as to accessoryship*. An accessory after the fact offense shall be one seriousness category below the substantive offense.

B. Victim Injury

Victim injury means physical or psychological injury to the crime victim, the cause of which is directly linked to the conduct of the defendant in the commission of the convicted offense.

Victim injury, whether physical or psychological, shall be based on reasonable proof. Psychological injury shall be based on confirmed medical diagnosis or psychological treatment. Psychological injury is presumed not permanent unless otherwise demonstrated. Physical injury shall be more than minimal. Physical injuries such as lasting muscle damage or amputation are permanent.

The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 0 if there was no victim injury. The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 1 if victim injury occurred and the injury was not permanent.

The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 2 if victim injury occurred and the injury was permanent or resulted in the death of the victim.

C. Weapon Usage

We apon usage means the use of any article or device that reasonably appears capable of causing injury or the use of an article that could result in conviction under Article 27, \$36(a)(1)(2), Annotated Code of Maryland.

The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 0 if no weapon was used. The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 1 if a weapon other than a firearm was used. The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 2 if a firearm or explosive was used.

The individual completing the worksheet shall apply the following rules regarding weapons.

- a. Explosives are considered the same as firearms;
- b. Weapons other than firearms include incendiaries, knives, tire irons and clubs;
- c. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) guns (including pellet guns) and starter pistols are also scored as weapons other than firearms and receive one point;
- d. Except if used as a bludgeon, a toy gun is not a weapon and shall be scored as zero;
- e. Except if deliberately used as a weapon, automobiles are not included as weapons;
- f. Unless the offender is a professional in some form of self-defense, parts of the body, such as hands or feet, are not included as weapons;

- g. If a weapon was feigned but no weapon was actually present, the score shall be 0 (no weapon used); and
- h. Any applicable guidelines points for weapon usage shall be given to an accessory before the fact, but not to an accessory after the fact.
- D. Special Vulnerability of Victim

Special vulnerability of victim refers to the relative status of the victim tends to render the actions of the perpetrator all the more serious. A vulnerable victim is anyone:

- a. younger than 11 years old;
- b. 65 years old or older; or
- c. having a temporary or permanent physical or mental handicap, including an individual who is physically or mentally limited in a material way.

The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 0 if the victim is not defined as a vulnerable victim. The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 1 if the victim is defined as a vulnerable victim. The individual completing the worksheet shall complete the Special Vulnerability of Victim component of the offense score for each offense to be sentenced.

E. Total Offense Score

To obtain an offense score, the individual completing the worksheet shall add the points assigned to each element of the offense score for each person offense of which the defendant was convicted. The maximum score is 15 and the minimum score is 1.

5.2 Computation of the Offender Score

The offender score is derived by totaling the points represented by the offender's prior criminal history. The factors comprising this history are shown in Table 5-2 below. Any prior criminal activity that the defendant admits should be included. With the exception of the juvenile delinquency component of the offender score, the components of the offender score refer only to the defendant's adult involvement with the criminal justice system.

A. Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred				
0	=	None or Pending Cases		
1	=			
B. Ju	veni	ile Delinquency		
0	=	at least 23 years old OR crime-free for 5 years OR no more than 1 finding of a delinquent act		
1	=			
		OR one commitment		
2	=	under 23 years old AND committed two or more times		
C. Pr	ior .	Adult Criminal Record		
0	=	None		
1	=	Minor		
3	=	Moderate		
5	=	Major		
D. Pr	D. Prior Adult CJ Violation			
0	=	No		
1	=	Yes		
OFF	ENI	DER SCORE		

Table 5-2. Offender Score

Elements of the Offender Score:

- A. Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred
 - a. If the offender was in the criminal justice system as the result of an adjudication of guilt as an adult, the person completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 1.
 - b. The offender was in the criminal justice system if the offender was on parole, probation, incarcerated, on work release, mandatory supervision, escape, or comparable status at the time the offense was committed.
 - c. An offender is not considered to be in the criminal justice system if the offender was on unsupervised probation **and** the underlying offense was not punishable by imprisonment.
- B. Juvenile Delinquency

Findings of delinquency are counted the same as convictions would be for an adult; that is, there may be more than one as part of a single event. **Commitments** refer to a court transferring legal custody to the Maryland Department of Juvenile Justice or

comparable commitment to another federal or state authority. **Suspended juvenile commitments** should be counted as findings of a delinquent act.

An **incarcerable traffic offense** as a juvenile should be treated as part of the offender's juvenile record.

The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of **0** if:

- a. an offender is 23 years or older by the date of the offense; or
- b. an offender has been crime free for 5 years since the last finding of a delinquent act or last adjudication; or
- c. an offender has no more than one finding of a delinquent act.

The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 1 if :

- a. an offender is younger than 23 years old; and
- b. has two or more findings of a delinquent act or one commitment

The individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 2 if:

- a. an offender is younger than 23 years old; and
- b. has been committed two or more times
- C. Prior Adult Criminal Record

The prior adult criminal record includes all adjudications of guilt preceding the current sentencing event, whether the offense was committed before or after the instant one. Unless expunged from the record, the individual completing the worksheet shall include probations before judgment (PBJ) and convictions under the Federal Youth Corrections Act (FYCA). The individual completing the worksheet may not consider violations of public local laws, municipal infractions, contempt, criminal non-support, and non-incarcerable traffic offenses as part of a prior adult criminal record. If a Maryland offense has not been assigned a seriousness category, the individual completing the worksheet shall use the closest analogous offense and the sentencing judge and the parties shall be notified.

1. Criteria

The individual completing the worksheet shall use the instructions and table below to determine whether a defendant's prior criminal adult record is minor, moderate, or major. If the defendant has no prior adult criminal record, the individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 0. If the defendant has a minor adult criminal record, the individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 1. If the defendant has a moderate criminal record, the individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 3. If the defendant has a major criminal record, the individual completing the worksheet shall assign a score of 5.

To determine whether a defendant's prior adjudications of guilt constitute a Minor, Moderate, or Major adult criminal record, the person completing the worksheet shall count the number of prior adjudications of guilt according to their seriousness categories. The Criteria for Prior Record form, found in Figure 5-5 on page 29, can be used to help with the tabulation.

Once the prior adjudications are categorized by their seriousness categories, the number of adjudications in the most serious category of offenses shall be identified. Locate that number and the seriousness category in Table 5-3 or Figure 5-4 and, applying the other less serious prior adjudications, determine whether the prior record is Minor, Moderate, or Major.

Table 5-3. Prior Adult Criminal Record Matrix

	1	2	3	4	5-9	10 or more
I	Major	Major	Major	Major	Major	Major
Ш	Major if combined with any offenses in Categories III – VI or any 5 offenses 	Major	Major	Major	Major	Major
Ш	Major if combined with two or more offenses in Categories IV – VI or any 6 offenses 	Major	Major	Major	Major	Major
IV	Major if combined with 3 or more offenses from Categories V or VI, or any 7 offenses Moderate	Major if combined with 1 or more offenses from Categories V or VI, or any 6 offenses 	Major	Major	Major	Major
v	Major if combined with any 8 offenses Moderate if combined with not less than 3, nor more than 7 offenses 	Major if combined with any 7 offenses Moderate if combined with not less than 1, nor more than 6 offenses 	Major if combined with any 6 offenses Moderate	Major if combined with any 5 offenses Moderate	Major	Major
VI	Major if combined with any 9 offenses Moderate if combined with not less than 4, nor more than 8 offenses Minor	Major if combined with any 8 offenses Moderate if combined with not less than 3, nor more than 7 offenses Minor	Major if combined with any 7 offenses Moderate if combined with not less than 2, nor more than 6 offenses Minor	Major if combined with any 6 offenses Moderate	Major if total number of convictions is equal to or greater than 10 	Major
VII	Minor	Minor	Minor	Minor	Moderate	Major

Figure 5-1. Criteria for Prior Adult Criminal Record

MAJOR RECORD

An offender who has been found guilty of one or more offenses in the past as an adult is considered to have a major adult criminal record if his or her record contains:

- One or more Seriousness Category I offenses.
- One Seriousness Category II offense, combined with:
- One or more offenses from Seriousness Category III VI; or
- Any other five offenses
- Two or more Seriousness Category II offenses.
- One Seriousness Category III offense, combined with:
- Two or more offenses from Seriousness Category IV VI; or
- Any other six offenses.
- Two or more Seriousness Category III offenses.
- One Seriousness Category IV offense, combined with:
- Three or more offenses from Seriousness Category V or VI, or
- Any other seven offenses.
- Two Seriousness Category IV offenses, combined with:
- One or more offenses from Seriousness Category V or VI; or
- Any other six offenses.
- Three or more Seriousness Category IV offenses.
- One Seriousness Category V offense, combined with any other eight offenses.
- Two Seriousness Category V offenses, combined with any other seven offenses.
- Three Seriousness Category V offenses, combined with any other six offenses.
- Four Seriousness Category V offenses, combined with any other five offenses.
- Five or more Seriousness Category V offenses.
- Ten or more adjudications of guilt from any combination of seriousness categories.

MODERATE RECORD

An offender who has been found guilty of one or more offenses in the past as an adult is considered to have a moderate record if he or she does not meet any of the criteria for a major record, but whose record contains:

- One Seriousness Category II offense.
- One Seriousness Category III offense.
- One or two Seriousness Category IV offenses.
- One Seriousness Category V offense, combined with not less than three and not more than seven other offenses.
- Two Seriousness Category V offenses, combined with not less than one and not more than six other offenses.
- Three or four Seriousness Category V offenses.
- One Seriousness Category VI offense, combined with not less than four and not more than eight other offenses.
- Two Seriousness Category VI offenses, combined with not less than three and not more than seven other offenses.
- Three Seriousness Category VI offenses, combined with not less than two and not more than six other offenses.
- Not less than four and not more than nine Seriousness Category VI offenses.
- Not less than five and not more than nine Seriousness Category VII offenses.

MINOR RECORD

An offender who has been found guilty as an adult of one or more offenses in the past, but does not meet the criteria for either a major or a moderate record is considered to have a minor record.

2. Additional Instructions

If prior multiple convictions relate to a single criminal event, the worksheet should be scored using only the offense with the highest seriousness category.

Different Criminal Events Sentenced Together. If multiple offenses from different criminal events are being sentenced together at this sentencing event, the offender's criminal record includes any adjudication of guilt prior to the current sentencing and is the same for each offense being sentenced at this time.

Convictions Out of Jurisdiction. If an offender has been convicted in another jurisdiction, the convicted offense should be matched as closely as possible to the closest analogous Maryland offense. If no Maryland analogous offense exists, the offense should be placed in the lowest seriousness category (VII), and the judge and parties shall be notified.

Theft-Type Offenses. A theft conviction that occurred before the enactment of the comprehensive theft statute in 1978 such as Larceny, Larceny by Trick or Larceny after Trust should be considered Misdemeanor Theft if it was a misdemeanor and Felony Theft if it was a felony.

Criminal Record Decay Factor. If an offender has lived in the community for at least ten years prior to the instant offense without criminal justice system involvement resulting from an adjudication of guilt or a plea of nolo contendere, the criminal record should be reduced by one level: from Major to Moderate, from Moderate to Minor, or from Minor to None. An offender was in the criminal justice system if the offender was on parole, probation, incarcerated, on work release, mandatory supervision, escape, or comparable status.

Conspiracies, Attempts, Solicitations, and Accessoryships

- a. The individual completing the worksheet shall place conspiracies, attempts, and solicitations in the same seriousness category as the substantive offense unless placed in a different category or specifically addressed by separate statute.
- b. Accessory before the fact is considered to be one seriousness category below the substantive offense where there was a specific verdict as to accessoryship.
- c. Accessory after the fact is considered to be one seriousness category below the substantive offense.

D. Prior Adult Parole/Probation Violations.

Score 0 if offender has never before been on adult parole, probation or equivalent supervisory status, or has successfully completed previous periods of supervision as an adult. Score 1 if offender was ever adjudicated in violation of parole or probation or was convicted of an offense while on parole or probation, unless the adjudication or conviction arose from the offense or offenses of this sentencing event. **Do not give a point simply because offender was on parole or probation at the time of the instant offense**; the offender will already have been penalized for having a relationship to the criminal justice system when the instant offense occurred.

The Total Offender Score is obtained by adding the points assigned to each element of the offender score. The maximum offender score is nine; the minimum is zero.

Figure 5-2. Criteria for Prior Record Worksheet

Offender's Name:	Docket Number:
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JUVENILE DELINQUENCY								
Offender	Yes/No	Offense Title (w/ finding of delinquency)	Commitment Date					
23 or older when current offense committed								
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY	1 Finding 2 or Mora Findings/1 Commitment 2 or Mora Commitments							

	ADULT CONVICTIONS								
Seriousness Category	No.	Offense Title	(Code, Art., &	& Sec.)	Disposition Date	Sentence			
Ι									
II									
III									
IV									
V									
VI									
VII									
PRIOR ADUL	Г CRI	MINAL RECORD	None	Minor	Moder	ate Major			

Completed By: _____

Determining the Guidelines Sentence Range

6.1 Guidelines Range

After the offense and offender scores have been calculated for each offense for which there is a conviction or other adjudication of guilt, use the appropriate matrix – person, drug, or property – to determine the guidelines range. In multiple offense cases, the overall guidelines range is determined after calculating guidelines for the individual offenses.

6.2 Person Offenses

To find the guidelines sentence for an offense against a person, refer to Table 6-1, the sentencing matrix for offenses against persons. The guidelines ranges are in a grid format with the offense score on the vertical axis and the offender score on the horizontal axis. The guidelines range for any given convicted offense is in the block where the two scores intersect.

For a **First Degree Murder** conviction, the person completing the worksheet should compute an offense and offender score even though the guidelines sentence for First Degree Murder is always imprisonment for life (unless the death penalty being sought under Article 27 §413). First Degree Murder is a Seriousness Category I offense.

Offender Score								
Offense Score	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 or more
1	Р	Р	P-3M	3M-1Y	3M-18M	3M-2Y	6M-2Y	1Y-3Y
2	P-6M	P-1Y	P-18M	3M-2Y	6M-3Y	1Y-5Y	18M-5Y	3Y-8Y
3	P-2Y	P-2Y	6M-3Y	1Y-5Y	2Y-5Y	3Y-7Y	4Y-8Y	5Y-10Y
4	P-3Y	6M-4Y	1Y-5Y	2Y-5Y	3Y-7Y	4Y-8Y	5Y-10Y	5Y-12Y
5	3M-4Y	6M-5Y	1Y-6Y	2Y-7Y	3Y-8Y	4Y-10Y	6Y-12Y	8Y-15Y
6	1Y-6Y	2Y-7Y	3Y-8Y	4Y-9Y	5Y-10Y	7Y-12Y	8Y-13Y	10Y-20Y
7	3Y-8Y	4Y-9Y	5Y-10Y	6Y-12Y	7Y-13Y	9Y-14Y	10Y-15Y	12Y-20Y
8	4Y-9Y	5Y-10Y	5Y-12Y	7Y-13Y	8Y-15Y	10Y-18Y	12Y-20Y	15Y-25Y
9	5Y-10Y	7Y-13Y	8Y-15Y	10Y-15Y	12Y-18Y	15-25Y	18Y-30Y	20Y-30Y
10	10Y-18Y	10Y-21Y	12Y-25Y	15Y-25Y	15Y-30Y	18Y-30Y	20Y-35Y	20Y-L
11	12Y-20Y	15Y-25Y	18Y-25Y	20Y-30Y	20Y-30Y	25Y-35Y	25Y-40Y	25Y-L
12	15Y-25Y	18Y-25Y	18Y-30Y	20Y-35Y	20Y-35Y	25Y-40Y	25Y-L	25Y-L
13	20Y-30Y	25Y-35Y	25Y-40Y	25Y-L	25Y-L	30Y-L	L	L
14	20Y-L	25Y-L	28Y-L	30Y-L	L	L	L	L
15	25Y-L	30Y-L	35Y-L	L	L	L	L	L

Table 6-1. Sentencing Matrix for Offenses Against Persons

P=Probation, M=Months, Y=Year, L=Life

6.3 Drug Offenses

To find the recommended guidelines sentence for a drug offense use Table 6-2, the sentencing matrix for drug offenses. The guidelines range for a particular offense is in the cell opposite the seriousness category for that offense and under the applicable offender score.

	Offender Score							
Offense Seriousness Category	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
VII	Р	Р	Р	P-1M	P-3M	P-6M	3M-6M	6M-2Y
VI	Availa	ble for futur	e use. There	are currentl	y no serious	ness categor	y VI drug of	fenses.
v	P-6M	P-12M	3M-12M	6M-18M	1Y-2Y	1.5Y-2.5Y	2Y-3Y	3Y-4Y
IV	P-12M	P-18M	6M-18M	1Y-2Y	1.5Y-2.5Y	2Y-3Y	3Y-4Y	3.5Y-10Y
III-A marijuana	P-18M	P-2Y	6M-2Y	1Y-4Y	2Y-6Y	3Y-8Y	4Y-12Y	10Y-20Y
III-B non-marijuana, except Import	6M-3Y	1Y-3Y	18M-4Y	3Y-7Y	4Y-8Y	5Y-10Y	7Y-14Y	12Y-20Y
III-C non-marijuana, import	1Y-4Y	2Y-5Y	3Y-6Y	4Y-7Y	5Y-8Y	6Y-10Y	8Y-15Y	15Y-25Y
п	20Y-24Y	22Y-26Y	24Y-28Y	26Y-30Y	28Y-32Y	30Y-36Y	32Y-37Y	35Y-40Y

Table 6-2. Sentencing Matrix for Drug Offenses

P=Probation, M=Months, Y=Years

6.4 Property Offenses

To find the recommended guidelines sentence for a property offense use Table 6-3, the sentencing matrix for property offenses. The guidelines range for a particular offense is in the cell opposite the seriousness category for that offense and under the applicable offender score.

Offender Score								
Offense Seriousness Category	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 or more
VII	P-1M	P-3M	3M-9M	6M-1Y	9M-18M	1Y-2Y	1Y-3Y	3Y-5Y
VI	P-3M	P-6M	3M-1Y	6M-2Y	1Y-3Y	2Y-5Y	3Y-6Y	5Y-10Y
V	P-6M	P-1Y	3M-2Y	1Y-3Y	18M-5Y	3Y-7Y	4Y-8Y	8Y-15Y
IV	P-1Y	3M-2Y	6M-3Y	1Y-4Y	18M-7Y	3Y-8Y	5Y-12Y	10Y-20Y
III	P-2Y	6M-3Y	9M-5Y	1Y-5Y	2Y-8Y	3Y-10Y	7Y-15Y	15Y-30Y
п	2Y-5Y	3Y-7Y	5Y-8Y	5Y-10Y	8Y-15Y	10Y-18Y	12Y-20Y	15Y-40Y

 Table 6-3.
 Sentencing Matrix for Property Offenses

P=Probation, M=Months, Y=Years

6.5 Actual Sentence

At the time of sentencing, after the recommended guidelines range is determined, the judge should enter the actual sentence on the worksheet. Complete sentencing information for each convicted offense includes: amount of credit for time served, suspended time, length of probation, fine, restitution, and community service. If at any time a sentence is altered (e.g., a reconsideration or a panel review), a judge shall issue a revised worksheet and direct that the worksheet be distributed in the same manner as an original worksheet.

6.6 Effect of Mandatory Sentences on Guidelines Range

If the guidelines sentence range exceeds the statutory maximum for a given offense, the statutory maximum is the upper limit of the guidelines range. If the guidelines sentence range is below the mandatory statutory minimum, that minimum is the lower limit of the guidelines range.

6.7 Subsequent Offenses

Enhanced punishment legislation for subsequent offenders takes precedence over guidelines ranges if not otherwise provided for in this manual. When the statutory penalty for a drug offense is doubled under Article 27, § 293 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the guidelines range for that offense is also doubled. The guidelines sentence is determined by doubling the appropriate sentence from the drug offense sentencing matrix (Table 6-2), except when the mandatory minimum sentence under Article 27, §286 of the Annotated Code of Maryland is invoked and takes precedence. If the offender is being sentenced pursuant to Article 27, § 293 and the guidelines range is doubled, the person preparing the worksheet shall mark "Yes" in the subsequent offender box.

6.8 Restitution Requested

The person completing the worksheet shall mark whether anyone is requesting restitution from the defendant. In the Actual Sentence section, the judge shall indicate the amount of restitution ordered, if any.

Multiple Offense Scoring

7.1 Single Criminal Event, Not More Than One Seriousness Category I or II Offense

- 1. Calculate the guidelines range for each offense.
- 2. Determine the overall guidelines range by identifying the highest of the lower guidelines limits and the highest of the upper guidelines limits. Usually these will be the lower and upper limits of the guidelines range for one of the offenses, but there are infrequent exceptions. (See Example 3 in Table 7-1.)

Example 1									
<u>Criminal Event</u>	Offense	Seriousness Category	Guidelines Range						
1	Second Degree Rape	II	12-25 Yrs.						
1	Use of Handgun in a Felony	III	5 [*] -8 Yrs.						
		Overall Guidelines Range:	12-25 Yrs.						
*Guidelines range was	3-8 years but statutory minimum is 5 ye	ears.							
	Exan	nple 2							
<u>Criminal Event</u>	<u>Offense</u>	Seriousness Category	<u>Guidelines Range</u>						
1	Second Degree Burglary	IV	1-4 Yrs.						
1	Theft \$500 or More	V	1-3 Yrs.						
1	Destroying Property <\$500	VII	6M-1 Yr.						
		Overall Guidelines Range:	1-4 Yrs.						
	Exan	nple 3							
<u>Criminal Event</u>	<u>Offense</u>	Seriousness Category	<u>Guidelines Range</u>						
1	Second Degree Assault	IV	1-5 Yrs.						
1	Distribution of LSD	III	18M-4 Yrs.						
	Overall Guidelines Range: 18M-5 Yrs.								

Table 7-1. Examples of Scoring Single Criminal Events with Not More Than One Offense from Seriousness Category I or II

3. Any combinations of sentences imposed, concurrent or consecutive, are within the guidelines when the net time to be served (i.e., the initial sentence minus suspended sentence) falls within the overall guidelines range.

7.2 Single Criminal Event, Two or More Seriousness Category I or II Offenses

- 1. Calculate the guidelines range for each offense.
- 2. Determine the overall guidelines range by adding the guidelines ranges for each offense in Seriousness Category I or II.

Table 7-2. Examples of Scoring Single Criminal Events with Two or More Seriousness Category I or II Offenses

Example 1				
<u>Criminal Event</u>	Offense	Seriousness Category	Guidelines Range	
1	First Degree Rape	Ι	15-25 Yrs.	
1	Kidnapping	II	7-13 Yrs.	
1	Robbery	IV	2-7 Yrs.	
		Overall Guidelines Range:	22-38 Yrs.	
	Exar	nple 2		
<u>Criminal Event</u>	Offense	Seriousness Category	Guidelines Range	
1	1 st Degree Sex Offense	Ι	30Y-Life	
1	1 st Degree Sex Offense	Ι	30Y-Life	
1	1 st Degree Rape	Ι	30Y-Life	
60	aning 1 and 4 a superson and the second	Overall Guidelines Range:	90Y (Life + 30Y) to 3 consecutive Life terms	
*60 years is considered e	quivalent to one sentence of life impri	sonment.		

3. Any combinations of sentences imposed, concurrent or consecutive, are within the guidelines when the net time to be served (i.e., the initial sentence minus suspended sentence) falls within the overall guidelines range.

7.3 Multiple Criminal Events, One Offense in Each Event

- 1. Arrange the offenses in chronological order beginning with the one committed first.
- 2. Calculate the guidelines range for each event's convicted counts. The prior criminal adult record is constant throughout each event. A prior adult criminal record score reflects the defendant's criminal history on the date of sentencing. The prior adult

criminal record calculated for the first event is the same for all succeeding events, as long as they are being sentenced at the same time.

3. Determine the overall guidelines range by adding the ranges for each event.

Example 1			
Criminal Event	Offense	Seriousness Category	Guidelines Range
1	Robbery w/ Deadly Weapon	III	3-8 Yrs.
2	Robbery w/ Deadly Weapon	III	3-8 Yrs.
3	Robbery w/ Deadly Weapon	III	3-8 Yrs.
		Overall Guidelines Range:	9-24 Yrs.
	Exam	ple 2	
Criminal Event	<u>Offense</u>	Seriousness Category	Guidelines Range
1	Burglary	IV	10-20 Yrs.
2	Forgery	V	8-10 [*] Yrs.
		Overall Guidelines Range:	18-30 Yrs.
*Statutory Maximum is 10 years.			

Table 7-3. Examples of Scoring Multiple Criminal Events with One Offense in Each Event

4. Any combinations of sentences imposed, concurrent or consecutive, are within the guidelines when the net time to be served (i.e., the initial sentence minus suspended sentence) falls within the overall guidelines range.

7.4 Multiple Criminal Events, Multiple Offenses Within One or More of the Events

- 1. Arrange the events in chronological order, beginning with the offense or offenses committed in the first event.
- 2. Calculate the guidelines range for each offense in the first event.
- 3. Determine the overall guidelines range for the first criminal event as in section 7.1 or 7.2, but do not enter it on a worksheet.
- 4. Follow steps two and three for each succeeding criminal event. The prior criminal adult record is constant throughout each event. A prior adult criminal record score reflects the defendant's criminal history on the date of sentencing. *The prior adult criminal record calculated for the first event is the same for all succeeding events, as long as they are being sentenced at the same time.*
- 5. After determining the overall guidelines range for each criminal event, the ranges are added to determine the overall guidelines range for the entire case.

Example 1			
<u>Criminal Event</u>	Offense	Seriousness Category	Guidelines Range
1	Robbery w/Deadly Weapon	III	6-12 Yrs.
1	Use of Handgun in Felony	III	6-12 Yrs.
		Range for 1:	6-12 Yrs.
2	Robbery w/Deadly Weapon	III	6-12 Yrs.
2	Possession of Marijuana	VII	P-1 Mo.
		Range for 2:	6-12 Yrs.
		Overall Guidelines Range:	12-24 Yrs.
	Exan	pple 2	
<u>Criminal Event</u>	Offense	Seriousness Category	Guidelines Range
1	Perjury	V	P-6 Mos.
		Range for 1:	P-6 Mos.
2	Inducing False Testimony	V	P-6 Mos.
2	Theft \$500 or More	V	P-6 Mos.
2	Wearing/Carrying Handgun	VII	P-P
		Range for 2:	P-6 Mos.
		Overall guidelines range:	P-1 Yr.
	Exan	ple 3	
<u>Criminal Event</u>	Offense	Seriousness Category	Guidelines Range
1	1 st Degree Rape	Ι	10-18 Yrs.
1	Att. 1 st Degree Murder	II	4-9 Yrs.
		Range for 1:	14-27 Yrs.
2	3 rd Degree Burglary	IV	P-1 Yr.
		Range for 2:	P-1 Yr.
		Overall guidelines range:	14-28 Yrs.

Table 7-4. Examples of Scoring Multiple Criminal Events with More than One Offense in One
or More Events

6. Any combinations of sentences imposed, concurrent or consecutive, are within the guidelines when the net time to be served (that is, the initial sentence minus suspended sentence) falls within the overall guidelines range.

Determining Whether a Sentence is Within the Guidelines Range

The recommended guidelines sentence is provided as a range. This range is determined by the seriousness of the offense and the criminal history of the offender. This chapter discusses how to determine if a sentence is within the guidelines range.

8.1 Suspended Time

Suspended time *is not* considered in determining whether the sentence falls within the recommended guidelines range. The guidelines range represents only non-suspended time.

Example: If the guidelines range for a particular case is 6 to 12 years, a few examples of sentences within the guidelines are 10 years with 4 years suspended or 15 years with 5 years suspended. If, however, a judge gives 6 years, all suspended, the sentence will be outside the guidelines.

8.2 Offender Already Under Sentence

If an offender is already serving one or more sentences, the time remaining to be served may be considered in determining whether the sentence or sentences are within the recommended guidelines range. The judge shall indicate whether the new sentence is consecutive to or concurrent with the existing sentence.

8.3 Consecutive Versus Concurrent Sentences

If an offender is sentenced for more than one offense, the worksheet should indicate which sentences are concurrent and which are consecutive. To fall within the guidelines, the total amount of time to be served must fall within the guidelines.

Example: If the overall guidelines range is 3 to 6 years and the offender is sentenced to two concurrent unsuspended terms of 4 years, the sentence is within the guidelines. However, if the offender is sentenced to two consecutive terms of 4 years, the sentence exceeds the guidelines range.

8.4 Length of Probation

Subject to the statutory limit of five years, the length of any probation imposed is within the judge's discretion and is not limited by the sentencing guidelines.

Chapter **O**

Sentences Outside the Guidelines Range

There are times when a judge may choose to impose a sentence that is outside the guidelines range. This chapter provides a list of common reasons for departure and their corresponding codes. While it is not intended to be a complete list, it does provide commonly used departure reasons and gives the sentencing judge the option of identifying other circumstances that warrant a departure.

9.1 Using the Departure Codes

The judge shall document on the guidelines worksheet the reason or reasons for imposing a sentence outside of the recommended guidelines range. The following list is a sample of some of the more common reasons for sentencing outside the range. The judge should write in the designated space on the guidelines worksheet the number(s) that corresponds to the reason(s) for departure. Where the judge's reason for sentencing outside the guidelines range is not among the sample reasons listed, the judge should write down reason number (9) or (18), depending on whether it is an upward or downward departure, and explain the "other circumstances" on which the judge has based the decision to depart from the guidelines.

9.2 Departure Below the Guidelines Range

Common reasons for departure below the guidelines range include but are not limited to:

- The parties reached a plea agreement that called for a reduced sentence. (1)
- Offender's minor role in the offense. (2)
- Offender was influenced by coercion or duress. (3)
- Offender had diminished capability for judgment. (4)
- Offender made restorative efforts after the offense. (5)
- Victim's participation in the offense lessens the offender's culpability. (6)
- Offender's commitment to substance abuse treatment or other therapeutic program. (7)
- Recommendation of State's Attorney or Division of Parole and Probation. (8)
- Other circumstances of the crime and/or the offender do not warrant a sentence within the guidelines (Explain). (9)

Please use the numerical codes in parentheses when filling out the guidelines worksheets.

9.3 Departure Above the Guidelines Range

Common reasons for departure above the guidelines range include but are not limited to:

- Offender's major role in the offense. (10)
- The level of harm was excessive. (11)
- Special circumstances of the victim. (12)
- Offender exploited a position of trust. (13)
- Offender committed a "white collar" offense. (14)
- Offender's significant participation in major controlled substance offense. (15)
- The vicious or heinous nature of the conduct. (16)
- Recommendation of State's Attorney or Division of Parole and Probation. (17)
- Other circumstances of the crime and/or the offender do not warrant a sentence within the guidelines (Explain). (18)

Please use the numerical codes in parentheses when filling out the guidelines worksheets.

9.4 Interpreting the Common Reasons for Departure

The common reasons for departure should be read broadly so that they might encompass other, more specific reasons. For example, reason (1) regarding a plea agreement could include reasons why the agreement was reached, such as weak evidence, minimal harm or a victim who did not want to prosecute. Reason (4), which addresses an offender's diminished capacity for judgment, could apply if the offender's age (young or old), intelligence, or drug/alcohol use limited the offender's capacity for judgment. An offender's restorative efforts under reason (5) could include paying restitution, cooperation with police or the State's Attorney, or performing community service or some other benefit to the community on his own accord. An application of reason (16), the vicious or heinous nature of the conduct, could include offenses motivated by race, gender or sexual orientation, among other reasons. These examples are just some of the ways in which the departure reasons can be read broadly to encompass more specific reasons.

Chapter

Sample Cases

This chapter applies the procedures that have been described in this manual. There are discussions of eight sample cases dealing with different types of sentencing events that might occur. Each sample case provides the step-by-step procedures for calculating the guidelines ranges.

Sample Case

Single Convicted Offense

Offense Against a Person

Case Information

Offender's Name:	James Smith
Date of Birth:	02/25/79
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Date of Offense:	09/27/01
Docket No.:	000000001
Date of Plea or Verdict:	01/08/02
Disposition Type:	ABA Plea Agreement
Jurisdiction:	Montgomery County
Convicted Count(s):	Robbery with a Deadly
	Weapon, Art. 27 §487
Date of Sentencing:	2/30/02

Offense Description

On September 27, 1999, police were summoned to a convenience store for a report of an armed robbery. The cashier reported that two white males had entered the store and that one of the men was armed with a sawed-off shotgun. The cashier and a clerk were instructed to lie on the floor as one of the men removed money from the cash register. The subjects fled in a car and, based on a witness's description of the vehicle, were apprehended by police a short time later. The defendant was identified by the cashier as the man with the shotgun. Defendant pled guilty to *Robbery with a Deadly Weapon* on January 8, 2000.

Offender's Prior Record

JUVENILE:

DateOffenseDispositionNo juvenile record was found for the name and birth date provided.

ADULT:

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Date	Offense	Disposition
08/01/97	Possession of Marijuana	Fine \$100; Court Costs
06/10/98	Unemployment Insurance Fraud	6 months suspended; 2 years probation; * restitution

*The offender was still under supervision at the time of the offense.

Computation of Guidelines Range

1st Convicted Offense: Robbery With a Deadly Weapon, Art. 27 §487

Offense Score:

А.	Seriousness Category of Instant Offense As shown in Appendix A, <i>Robbery with a Deadly Weapon</i> is a Category III Offense.	5 points
В.	Victim Injury No injury.	0 points
C.	Weapon Usage A firearm (sawed-off shotgun) was used.	2 points
D.	Special Vulnerability of Victim Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.	0 points
	Total Offense Score	7 points
Offend	ler Score:	
A.	Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred Was on probation for Unemployment Compensation Fraud.	1 point
B.	Juvenile Delinquency No record found.	0 points

C. Prior Adult Criminal Record_____1 point

Step I:

Possession of Marijuana – Seriousness Category VII Unemployment Insurance Fraud – Seriousness Category VII

Number of Prior Convictions According to Seriousness Category

Seriousness Category	Number of Prior Convictions
Ι	0
II	0
III	0
IV	0
V	0
VI	0
VII	2

Step II:

Since the offender's most serious prior convictions were in Category VII, refer to the block in Table 5-3 that indicates two Seriousness Category VII convictions. This block identifies the record as *Minor*.

Step III:

An offender with a minor record receives 1 point.

D. Prior Adult Parole/Probation Violations 0 points None.

Total Offender Score 2 points

Guidelines Range	5Y-10Y
An examination of Table 6-1 shows that the recommended range for an offense	
score of 7 and an offender score of 2 is 5Y-10Y.	

Overall Guidelines Range for the Sentencing Event

Since this sentencing event involves only one convicted offense, the overall guidelines range is the same as the range for the offense, 5 to 10 years.

Sample Case

2

Single Convicted Offense

Drug Offense

Case Information

Offender's Name:	Lisa Jones
Date of Birth:	04/04/71
Sex:	Female
Race:	White
Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Date of Offense:	09/27/01
Docket No.:	00000002
Date of Plea or Verdict:	06/30/02
Disposition Type:	ABA Plea Agreement
Jurisdiction:	Montgomery County
Convicted Count(s):	Possession with Intent to Distribute Marijuana, Art. 27 §286 (b)(3)
Date of Sentencing:	7/30/02

Offense Description

On September 27, 1999, police serving a search warrant at defendant's home found one plastic bag of marijuana, a glass jar of marijuana seeds and a scale in the living room; six bags of marijuana in the master bedroom; and a green can, labeled "one oz. of grass," which contained marijuana seeds in another bedroom. The subject was arrested and eventually charged with *Possession* with Intent to Distribute Marijuana and simple Possession. On June 30, 2000, the defendant pled guilty to one count of Possession with Intent to Distribute.

Offender's Prior Record

JUVENILE:

Date	Offense	Disposition
None Kno	own	
ADULT:		

DateOffenseDispositionNone KnownImage: Construction of the second s

Computation of Guidelines Range

1st Convicted Offense: Possession with Intent to Distribute Marijuana

Offense Score:

There is no offense score for drug offenses.

Offender Score:

A.	Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred None.	0 points
B.	Juvenile Delinquency Defendant was over 23 years of age when the instant offense was committed.	0 points
C.	Prior Adult Criminal Record No record found.	0 points
D.	Prior Adult Parole/Probation Violations None.	0 points
	Total Offender Score	0 points

Guidelines Range	P-12M
An examination of Table 6-2 shows that the guidelines sentence for	
Possession with intent to Distribute Marijuana (Seriousness Category	
IV) by a person with an offender score of 0, is P-12M.	

Overall Guidelines Range for the Sentencing Event

Since this sentencing event involves only one convicted offense, the overall guidelines range is the same as the range for the offense, probation to 12 months.

Sample Case

3

Single Convicted Offense

Property Offense

Case Information

Offender's Name:	William Miller
Date of Birth:	12/27/79
Sex:	Male
Race:	Black
Ethnicity:	Hispanic
Date of Offense:	09/17/01
Docket No.:	00000003
Date of Plea or Verdict:	12/13/01
Disposition Type:	ABA Plea Agreement
Jurisdiction:	Montgomery County
Convicted Count(s):	Theft \$500 or more, Art. 27
	§342 (f)(1)
Date of Sentencing:	04/30/02

Offense Description

On January 17, 2000, defendant was observed by a security officer in a department of a large suburban store removing seven blazers, three pairs of pants, seven skirts, and one shirt (total value - \$1,153.89). After placing the merchandise in four bags, defendant left the department, passed many cash registers without paying, went down the escalator, and was arrested as he paused to buy shopping bags. On August 13, 2000, the defendant pled guilty to one count of *Theft \$500.00 or more*.

Offender's Prior Record

JUVENILE:		
Date	Offense	Disposition
06/26/93	Shoplifting	Delinquent; 1 year probation
12/11/93	Larceny	Delinquent; probation continued
06/10/94	Unauthorized Use	Delinquent; Greenridge Forestry
		Camp for 6 months
ADULT:		
Date	Offense	Disposition
02/06/98	Petty Larceny – Violation of	Unknown
	Bail Reform Act	
04/09/98	Theft	2 years probation. (D.C.)

Since August 13, 1999, the subject has been in the Prince George's County Detention Center. He is still on probation in the District of Columbia where in June 1999 his probation officer took him to court for a show-cause hearing because of his unsatisfactory adjustment.

Computation of Guidelines Range

1st Convicted Offense: Theft \$500 or more

Offense Score:

There is no offense score for property offenses.

Offender Score:

A.	Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred1 point On probation for Theft.	
B.	Juvenile Delinquency1 point Three findings of delinquency with one commitment.	
C.	Prior Adult Criminal Record1 point	
	Step I: Theft – Seriousness Category VII*	

*In this case, the prior Theft must be assumed to be under \$500 since the amount is not known. The Petty Larceny (02/06/85) was not counted since the disposition is unknown.

According to Seriousness Category		
Seriousness	Number of Prior	
Category	Convictions	
Ι	0	
II	0	
III	0	
IV	0	
V	0	
VI	0	
VII	1	

Number of Prior Convictions

Step II:

Since the most serious prior conviction was in Seriousness Category VII, refer to the block in Table 5-3 that indicates one Seriousness Category VII convictions. This block identifies the record as *Minor*.

Step III:

An offender with a minor record receives 1 point.

D. Prior Adult Parole/Probation Violations 0 points 0 no adult violations prior to instant offense

Т	Cotal Offender Score	3 points
Guidelines Range		1Y-3Y
An examination of Table 6-3 shows that the guidelines \$500 or more (Seriousness Category V) committed by	e	
offender score of 3 is 1Y-3Y.	a person with an	

Overall Guidelines Range for the Sentencing Event

Since this sentencing event involves only one convicted offense, the overall guidelines range is the same as the range for the offense, 1 to 3 years.

Sample Case



Multiple Convicted Offenses

Single Criminal Event

Case Information

Offender's Name:	Peter Williams
Date of Birth:	01/26/78
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Date of Offense:	12/03/98
Docket No.:	000000004
Date of Plea or Verdict:	12/18/01
Disposition Type:	Jury Trial
Jurisdiction:	Baltimore City
Convicted Count(s):	Robbery with a Deadly Weapon, Art. 27 §487
	Use of a Handgun in the Commission of a Felony, Art. 27 §36B(d)
	Possession of Marijuana, Art. 27 §287
Date of Sentencing:	2/30/00

Offense Description

On December 3, 1998, the victim and a friend had left a restaurant and were walking toward their car when they were approached by a lone, white male. The defendant grabbed the victim and pushed him against a car. After producing a small handgun, he demanded and received the victim's wallet. The defendant then fled on foot. A few minutes later, the victim's friend observed a passing patrol car and yelled for help. During a search of the surrounding area, the victim identified a man walking across a vacant lot as his assailant. As the patrol car approached, the defendant threw an object and began to run. The defendant was apprehended by another police unit circling the area, at which time a small glassine bag containing marijuana was found on his person. A search for the thrown object produced a 25 caliber automatic pistol. The victim was subsequently transported to a nearby hospital where he received treatment for a sprained wrist. On December 18, 1999, a jury found the defendant guilty of Robbery with a Deadly Weapon, Use of a Handgun in the Commission of a Felony, and Possession of Marijuana.

Offender's Prior Record

JUVENILE:		
Date	Offense	Disposition
10/03/94	Malicious Destruction	Delinquent; 18 months probation
11/20/95	Assault	Delinquent; probation continued
ADULT:		
Date	Offense	Disposition
10/05/96	Theft under \$500	18 months suspended; 3 years
		probation

Offender was placed on three years adult probation in 1996 for *Theft under \$500* and was under supervision at the time he committed the instant offense.

Computation of Individual Guidelines Ranges

1st Convicted Offense: Robbery with a Deadly Weapon

Offense Score:

A.	Seriousness Category of Instant Offense As shown in Appendix A, <i>Robbery with a Deadly Weapon</i> is a Category III Offense.	5 points
B.	Victim Injury Victim suffered a sprained wrist	1 point
C.	Weapon Usage A handgun was used.	2 points
D.	Special Vulnerability of Victim Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.	0 points
	Total Offense Score	8 points
Offend	er Score:	
A.	Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred Offender was on probation for <i>Theft under \$500</i> at the time he committed the instant offenses.	1 point
B.	Juvenile Delinquency	1 point
	Offender has been found delinquent twice, once for <i>Malicious Destruction</i> and once for <i>Assault</i> .	
C.		1 point
C.	Destruction and once for Assault.	1 point

Number of Prior Convictions According to Seriousness Category

According to seriousness Category		
Seriousness	Number of Prior	
Category	Convictions	
Ι	0	
II	0	
III	0	
IV	0	
V	0	
VI	0	
VII	1	

Step II:

Since the most serious prior conviction was in Seriousness Category VII, refer to the block in Table 5-3 that indicates one Seriousness Category VII convictions. This block identifies the record as *Minor*.

Step III:

An offender with a minor record receives 1 point.

D. Prior Adult Parole/Probation Violations 0 points 0 no adult violations prior to instant offense

Total Offender Score3 points

Guidelines Range for the 1 st Convicted Offense	7Y-13Y
An examination of Table 6-1 shows the recommended range for an	
offense score of 8 and an offender score of 3 is 7Y-13Y.	

2nd Convicted Offense: Use of Handgun in Commission of a Felony

Offense Score:

Since this person offense is the same seriousness category as *Robbery with a Deadly Weapon*, and was part of the same criminal event, the offense score is the same.

Total Offense Score8 points

Offender Score:

The offender score is the same as for *the Robbery with a Deadly Weapon* offense.

	Total Offender Score	3 points
Guidelines Range for the 2nd Convicted Offense An examination of Table 6-1 shows the recommend		7Y-13Y
offense score of 8 and an offender score of 3 is 7Y-1	e	

3rd Convicted Offense: Possession of Marijuana

Offense Score:

There is no offense score for drug offenses.

Offender Score:

The offender score is 3, the same as in the *Robbery with a Deadly Weapon* and *Use of a Handgun in the Commission of a Felony*.

Total Offender Score 3 points

Guidelines Range for the 3 rd Convicted Offense	P-1M
An examination of Table 6-2 shows the recommended range for	
Possession of Marijuana (Seriousness Category VII) with an offender	
score of 3 is P-1M.	

Overall Guidelines Range for the Sentencing Event

<u>Criminal</u> <u>Event</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Seriousness</u> <u>Category</u>	<u>Guidelines</u> <u>Range</u>
1	Robbery with a Deadly Weapon	III	7-13 years
1	Use of Handgun in Commission of a Felony	III	7-13 years
1	Possession of Marijuana	VII	P-1 month
	Overall G	Guidelines Range:	7-13 years

Following the procedure outlined in Section 7.1 for determining the guidelines for multiple counts from same criminal event, the overall recommended range is the highest of the recommended ranges, i.e., 7 to 13 years.

Sample Case

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Multiple Convicted Offenses from Categories I and II

Single Criminal Event

Case Information

Offender's Name:	George Smith
Date of Birth:	10/04/76
Sex:	Male
Race:	Black
Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Date of Offense:	08/22/01
Docket No.:	00000005
Date of Plea or Verdict:	11/10/01
Disposition Type:	Jury Trial
Jurisdiction:	Baltimore City
Convicted Count(s):	First Degree Rape, Art. 27 §462
	Assault First Degree, Art. 27 §12A-1
	Kidnapping, Art. 27 §337
	Use of a Handgun in Commission of a Felony, Art. 27 §36B(d)
Date of Sentencing:	04/30/02

Offense Description

On November 22, 1998, the victim was walking to her car on a shopping center parking lot when two men approached in a car. One of the men jumped out of the car, grabbed her and pushed her into the car. She was driven to a secluded area where she was raped by both men and shot. After managing to crawl to a road, she was noticed by a passing motorist and taken to a nearby hospital. The victim suffered permanent damage to her right kidney. Using her description of the defendant and the license number of the car, police were able to arrest the defendant the following day. On September 10, 1999, a jury found him guilty of *First Degree Rape, First Degree Assault, Kidnapping* and *Use of a Handgun in the Commission of a Felony*.

Offender's Prior Record

Juvenile:

Date	Offense	Disposition
07/10/87	Unauthorized Use	Delinquent; 1 year probation
08/05/92	Shoplifting	Delinquent; 1 year probation
08/26/93	Assault with Intent to Rob	Delinquent; committed to Boys
		Village for 2 months

Adult:

Date	Offense	Disposition
05/20/95	Driving While Intoxicated	6 months
03/01/97	Burglary, 2 nd Degree	1 year suspended; 1 year probation

The offender had recently completed his probation for the *Burglary* conviction (03/01/97).

Computation of Individual Guidelines Ranges

1st Convicted Offense: First Degree Rape

Offense Score:

- A. Seriousness Category of Instant Offense______10 points As shown in Appendix A, *First Degree Rape* is a Category I Offense.
- B. Victim Injury 2 points Permanent injury resulting from gunshot wounds.

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	Total Offense Score	14 points
D.	Special Vulnerability of Victim Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.	0 points
C.	Weapon Usage A handgun was used.	2 points

#### Offender Score:

- A. Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred _____0 points Defendant was not under any supervision at the time of the offense.
- B. Juvenile Delinquency______1 point Offender had three findings and one commitment.
- C. Prior Adult Criminal Record_____3 points

#### Step I:

2nd Degree Burglary – Seriousness Category IV Driving While Intoxicated – Category VII

#### Number of Prior Convictions

According to Seriousness Category

Seriousness	Number of Prior
Category	Convictions
I	0
II	0
III	0
IV	1
V	0
VI	0
VII	1

#### Step II:

Since the most serious prior conviction was in Seriousness Category IV, refer to the block in Table 5-3 that indicates one Seriousness Category IV conviction. This block identifies the record as *Moderate*.

#### Step III:

An offender with a moderate record receives 3 points.

D. Prior Adult Parole/Probation Violations_____0 points None.

Total Offender Score 4 points

Guidelines Range For the 1 st Convicted Offense	Life
An examination of Table 6-1 shows the recommended range for an	
offense score of 14 and an offender score of 4 is Life.	

#### 2nd Convicted Offense: First Degree Assault

#### Offense Score:

A. Seriousness Category of Instant Offense ______5 points As shown in Appendix A, *First Degree Assault* is a Category III Offense.
B. Victim Injury ______2 points Permanent injury resulting from gunshot wounds
C. Weapon Usage ______2 points A handgun was used.
D. Special Vulnerability of Victim ______0 points Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.

#### Total Offense Score 9 points

#### Offender Score:

The offender score is the same for all events sentenced at this sentencing event, 4.

Total	Offender Score 4 p	oints
Guidelines Range for the 2 nd Convicted Offense	12Y	′-18Y
An examination of Table 6-1 shows the recommended range offense score of 9 and an offender score of 4 is 12Y-18Y.	e for an	

#### 3rd Convicted Offense: Kidnapping

#### Offense Score:

- A. Seriousness Category of Instant Offense______8 points As shown in Appendix A, *Kidnapping* is a Category II Offense.
- B. Victim Injury 2 points Permanent injury resulting from gunshot wound.

C.	Weapon Usage A handgun was used.	2 points
D.	Special Vulnerability of Victim Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.	0 points
	Total Offense Score	12 points
Offend	ler Score:	
	e offender score is the same for all offenses at this sentencing ent, 4.	
	Total Offender Score	4 points
An exa	<b>lines Range for 3rd Convicted Offense</b> mination of Table 6-1 shows the recommended range for an offense score nd an offender score of 4 is 20Y-35Y.	20Y-35Y

#### 4th Convicted Offense: Use of a Handgun in the Commission of a Felony

Note: Because this is the fourth convicted offense, a separate worksheet must be used even though all offenses are from one criminal event.

#### Offense Score:

A.	Seriousness Category of Instant Offense As shown in Appendix A, <i>Use of a Handgun in the Commission</i> <i>of a Felony</i> is a Category III Offense.	5 points
В.	Victim Injury Permanent injury resulting from gunshot wounds	2 points
C.	Weapon Usage A handgun was used.	_2 points
D.	Special Vulnerability of Victim Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.	0 points
	<b>Total Offense Score</b>	9 points
Offend	er Score:	

The offender score is the same for all events sentenced at this sentencing event, 4.

Total Offender Score 4 points

Guidelines Range for 4th Convicted Offense12Y-18YAn examination of Table 6-1 shows that the recommended range for an offensescore of 9 and an offender score of 4 is 12Y-18Y.

## **Overall Guidelines Range for the Sentencing Event**

Criminal		<u>Seriousness</u>	
<b>Event</b>	<u>Offense</u>	<b><u>Category</u></b>	<b>Guidelines Range</b>
1	Rape	Ι	Life
1	First Degree Assault	III	<del>12-18 years</del>
1	Kidnapping	II	20-35 years
1	Use of Handgun	III	<del>12-18 years</del>
			Life plus 20 years
		Overall Guidelines Range:	-Life plus 35 years

Because two of the offenses in this criminal event were in either Seriousness Category I (*First Degree Rape*) or Seriousness Category II (*Kidnapping*), the overall recommended guidelines range is determined by adding together the respective lower and upper limits of the ranges of each Category I or II conviction. Following this procedure, the overall recommended sentencing range would be Life plus 20 years to Life plus 35 years.

## Sample Case



Multiple Convicted Offense

Multiple Criminal Events

## **Case Information**

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<b>Offender's Name:</b>	Justin Johnson
Date of Birth:	01/10/77
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Date of Offense:	08/10/01
	08/25/01
Docket No.:	00000006
Date of Plea or Verdict:	10/05/01
<b>Disposition Type:</b>	ABA Plea Agreement
Jurisdiction:	Harford County
Convicted Count(s):	Distribution of PCP, Art. 27 §286
	First Degree Assault, Art. 27 §12A-1
Date of Sentencing:	2/30/02

## **Offense Description**

On May 10, 1998, as part of a narcotics investigation, two undercover police officers purchased from the defendant a 2-oz. vial of a liquid that was later identified as PCP. The defendant was arrested and released on \$10,000.00 bond.

On May 25, 1998, police responded to a report of a shooting in a shopping center parking lot. Police were informed by the victim that he was talking about buying some "grass" with a man he had met in a bar. An argument ensued and the man pulled out a gun and shot the victim, hitting him in the right arm. The victim was treated in a hospital for a flesh wound and released. Based on the information provided by the victim and witnesses at the bar, a warrant was obtained and the defendant was arrested at his home.

On January 5, 1999, the defendant pled guilty to one count of *Distribution* of *PCP* and one count of *First Degree Assault*.

## **Offender's Prior Record**

JUVENILE:		
Date	Offense	Disposition
03/23/93	Possession of Marijuana	Delinquent; 1 year probation
ADULT:		
Date	Offense	Disposition
09/12/95	Possession of Cocaine	4 years suspended

1 year suspended; 2 years

probation

The offender was placed on 2 years adult probation in 1982. He successfully completed his probationary period.

## **Computation of Guidelines Ranges**

1st Convicted Offense: Distribution of PCP

Carrying a Handgun

#### **Offense Score:**

09/12/95

There is no offense score for drug offenses.

#### **Offender Score:**

Note: The offender score used in computing guidelines for multiple criminal events is the same for each event. The highest score for any event at the time of this sentencing should be used throughout.

- A. Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred_____0 points Defendant was not under any supervision at the time of the offense.
- B. Juvenile Delinquency 0 points 0 ffender was found delinquent for *Possession of Marijuana*.
- C. Prior Adult Criminal Record 1 point

#### Step I:

Possession of Cocaine – Category V Carrying a Handgun – Category VII

#### Number of Prior Convictions According to Seriousness Category

Seriousness	Number of Prior
Category	Convictions
Ι	0
II	0
III	0
IV	0
V	1
VI	0
VII	1

#### Step II:

Since the most serious prior conviction was in Seriousness Category V, refer to the block in Table 5-3 that indicates one Seriousness Category V conviction. This block identifies the record as *Minor*.

#### Step III:

An offender with a minor record receives 1 point.

D. Prior Adult Parole/Probation Violations_____0 points None.

Total Offender Score	1 point
Guidelines Range For Distribution of PCP	1Y-3Y
An examination of Table 6-2 shows the recommended range for a category	III
offense and an offender score of 1 is 1Y-3Y.	

#### 2nd Convicted Offense: First Degree Assault

Note: Even though there were only two convicted offenses at this sentencing, <u>a second worksheet must be used</u> because each convicted offense was part of a separate criminal event.

#### Offense Score:

A.	Seriousness Category of Instant Offense5 points As shown in Appendix A, <i>First Degree Assault</i> is a Category III Offense.
B.	Victim Injury1 point Victim was shot, but not permanently injured.
C.	Weapon Usage2 points A firearm was used.
D.	Special Vulnerability of Victim0 points Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.
	Total Offense Score 8 points

#### Offender Score:

The offender score is the same for all events sentenced at this sentencing event, 1.

1 point
5Y-10Y

## **Overall Guidelines Range for the Sentencing Event**

Criminal		<u>Seriousness</u>	
Event	<u>Offense</u>	Category	<b>Guidelines Range</b>
1	Distribution of PCP	III	1-3 years
2	Assault w/Intent to Murder	III	5-10 years
	Ove	erall Guidelines Range:	6-13 years

The overall guideline range for the sentencing event according to the procedure discussed in section 7.3 is determined by adding the lower range limits and upper range limits, resulting in a cumulative range of 6 to13 years (1 year *plus* 5 years, and 3 years *plus* 10 years).

## Sample Case

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Multiple Convicted Offenses

Single and Multiple Criminal Events

## **Case Information**

<b>Offender's Name:</b>	Truman Tiger
Date of Birth:	06/10/81
Sex:	Male
Race:	Black
Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Date of Offense:	09/10/01 12/09/02
Docket No.:	00000007
Date of Plea or Verdict:	08/20/02
Disposition Type:	ABA Plea Agreement
Jurisdiction:	Baltimore City
Convicted Count(s):	Robbery with a Deadly Weapon, Art. 27 §487
	Robbery, Art. 27 §486
	Second Degree Assault, Art. 27 §12A
Date of Sentencing:	01/30/03

## **Offense Description**

On September 9, 1998, a 32-year old male, answering the door in his apartment, was confronted by a man wielding a revolver and demanding money. The victim relinquished his wallet, but the assailant forced the victim into the bedroom and tied his hands and feet with his own neckties. After ransacking the bedroom, the gunman left. As soon as he could free himself, the victim called police and reported the incident.

On December 9, 1998, police responded to a call at an apartment house. Upon arriving, they were given custody of a man who, according to a security guard, had forced his way into a woman's apartment and tried to attack her. In questioning the victim, police learned that she had opened the door thinking her boyfriend had arrived, but a strange man had burst in. The victim stated that she was instructed to give him her money because he had a gun in his pocket and would use it. After handing over her purse, she was resisting when her boyfriend appeared. As the boyfriend and the assailant struggled, she went to the phone and summoned security who helped to hold the defendant. A starter pistol was found in his pocket.

On February 20, 1999, the defendant pled guilty to *Robbery with a Deadly Weapon* from the first event and *Robbery* and *Second Degree Assault* from the second event.

## **Offender's Prior Record**

#### JUVENILE:

DateOffenseDispositionNo juvenile record was found for the name and birthdate provided.

#### ADULT:

Date	Offense	Disposition
10/30/98	Theft under \$500	PBJ, 1 year probation

Offender is currently on probation.

## Computation of Guidelines Ranges for Criminal Event #1

1st Convicted Offense, Criminal Event #1: Robbery with a Deadly Weapon

#### Offense Score:

A. Seriousness Category of Instant Offense------5 points As shown in Appendix A, *Robbery with a Deadly Weapon* is a Category III Offense.

B.	Victim Injury No injury.	0 points
C.	Weapon Usage Handgun was used.	2 points
D.	Special Vulnerability of Victim Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.	0 points
	Total Offense Score	7 points
Offend	er Score:	
cri	te: The offender score used in computing guidelines for multiple minal events is the same for each event. The highest score for any ent at the time of this sentencing should be used throughout.	
A.	Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred The offender was on probation at the time of the second criminal event.	1 point
B.	Juvenile Delinquency	0 points

C. Prior Adult Criminal Record-----1 point

#### Step I:

Theft under \$500 – Category VII

#### Number of Prior Convictions According to Seriousness Category

Seriousness	Number of Prior
Category	Convictions
Ι	0
II	0
III	0
IV	0
V	0
VI	0
VII	1

#### Step II:

Since the most serious prior conviction was in Seriousness Category VII, refer to the block in Table 5-3 that indicates one Seriousness Category VII conviction. This block identifies the record as *Minor*.

#### **Step III:**

An offender with a minor record receives 1 point.

 D. Prior Adult Parole/Probation Violations -----0 points The offender does not get a point here because he had no violations except for the offenses of this sentencing event. He has already been penalized in "A" for committing these offenses while under supervision.

Total Offender Score2 points

Guidelines Range for 1 st Convicted Offense	5Y-10Y
An examination of Table 6-1 shows the recommended range	
for an offense score of 7 and an offender score of 2 is 5Y-10Y.	

# **Computation of Guidelines Ranges for Criminal Event #2**

## 1st Convicted Offense, Criminal Event #2: Robbery

Note: A second worksheet must be used for this separate criminal event.

## Offense Score:

А.	Seriousness Category of Instant Offense As shown in Appendix A, <i>Robbery</i> is a Category IV Offense.	3 points
B.	Victim Injury No injury	0 points
C.	Weapon Usage A starter pistol was used; therefore, 1 point is given for a weapon other than a firearm.	1 point
D.	Special Vulnerability of Victim Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.	0 points
	Total Offense Score	4 points
Offend	Total Offense Score	4 points
The	ler Score: e offender score is the same for all events sentenced at this	4 points
The	ler Score:	4 points 2 points

## 2nd Convicted Offense, Criminal Event #2: Second Degree Assault

### Offense Score:

A.	Seriousness Category of Instant Offense As shown in Appendix A, <i>Second Degree Assault</i> is a Category IV Offense.	1 point
В.	Victim Injury No injury	0 points
C.	Weapon Usage A starter pistol was used; therefore, 1 point is given for a weapon other than a firearm.	1 point
D.	Special Vulnerability of Victim Victim over 10 and under 65 years old and not mentally or physically handicapped.	0 points
	Total Offense Score	2 points
Offend	er Score:	
	e offender score is the same for all events sentenced at this atencing event, 2.	
	Total Offender Score	2 points
	ines Range for 1 st Convicted Offense	P-18M
	mination of Table 6-1 shows that the recommended range for an escore of 2 and an offender score of 2 is P-18M.	

# **Overall Guidelines Range for the Sentencing Event**

Criminal		<u>Seriousness</u>	
Event	<u>Offense</u>	Category	<b>Guidelines Range</b>
1	Robbery with a Deadly Weapon	III	5-10 years
2	Robbery	IV	1-5 years
2	Second Degree Assault	IV	P-18 months
	Overall Guid	delines Range:	6-15 years

To determine the overall guidelines range for the sentencing event, add the respective lower and upper limits of the guidelines ranges for each criminal event. These ranges are the highest upper and highest lower ranges from each event. (See Sample Case 4 and the explanation on in section 7.1) The overall guidelines range in this instance would be 6 years to 15 years (5 years *plus* 1 year, and 10 years *plus* 5 years).

# Sample Case

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Mandatory Minimum Sentence

# **Case Information**

<b>Offender's Name:</b>	Douglas Wills
Date of Birth:	02/10/73
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Date of Offense:	07/19/01
Docket No.:	00000008
Date of Plea or Verdict:	10/01/01
<b>Disposition Type:</b>	Jury Trial
Jurisdiction:	Prince George's County
Convicted Count(s):	Manufacture of PCP, Art. 27 §286 (b)(2)
Date of Sentencing:	12/30/01

# **Offense Description**

On July 19, 1999, police, acting on a search warrant, conducted a search of the defendant's home. Police found a small lab and confiscated a number of chemical compounds and three ½ liter bottles of suspected PCP. Later chemical tests were positive for PCP. On September 1, 1999, the jury found the defendant guilty of *Manufacture of PCP*.

# **Offender's Prior Record**

## JUVENILE:

Offense	Disposition			
Possession of Marijuana	Delinquent; probation			
Possession of LSD	Delinquent; probation continued			
Offense	Disposition			
Possession of LSD	6 months, all but 10 days			
	suspended; 1 year probation			
Burglary, 2 nd Degree	6 months jail			
Distribution of PCP	5 years, 3 years suspended			
Carrying a Handgun	1 year concurrent			
	Possession of Marijuana Possession of LSD Offense Possession of LSD Burglary, 2 nd Degree Distribution of PCP			

Offender is currently on probation.

# **Computation of Guidelines Range**

1st Convicted Offense: *Manufacture of PCP, Art.* 27 §286 (b)(2)

## Offense Score:

There is no offense score for drug offenses.

## **Offender Score:**

A.	Relationship to CJS When Instant Offense Occurred Offender was on probation at the time he committed the instant offense.	_1 point
B.	Juvenile Delinquency Offender was over 23 years of age at the time of the instant offense.	0 points
C.	Prior Adult Criminal Record	5 points
	<b>Step I:</b> Possession of LSD – Seriousness Category V Burglary, 2 nd Degree – Seriousness Category IV Distribution of PCP – Seriousness Category III Carrying a Handgun – Seriousness Category VII	

#### Number of Prior Convictions According to Seriousness Category

Seriousness	Number of Prior
Category	Convictions
Ι	0
II	0
III	1
IV	1
V	1
VI	0
VII	1

## Step II:

Since the most serious prior conviction was in Seriousness Category III, refer to the block in Table 5-3 that indicates one Seriousness Category III conviction. This block identifies the record as *Major*.

## Step III:

An offender with a major record receives 5 points.

D. Prior Adult Parole/Probation Violations_____0 points None

	<b>Total Offender Score</b>	6 points
Guidelines Range		7Y-14Y
An examination of Table 6-2 shows that the guidel	ines range for an	
offender score of 6 and the Manufacture of PCP (se	eriousness category	
V) is 7Y-14Y.		

# **Overall Guidelines Range for the Sentencing Event**

If the offender in this case is being sentenced pursuant to Art 27 §286(c) (previous *PCP Distribution*), which carries a 10-year mandatory minimum, the actual recommended range is 10 to 14 years because the mandatory minimum becomes the low end of the guidelines range.

If the offender was sentenced under Art. 27 §293 as a subsequent offender, the recommended guidelines range would be double the usual guidelines range, or 14Y-28Y.

The sentence for this offense may not be enhanced pursuant to both Art. 27 §286(c) and Art. 27 §293.

# SENTENCING GUIDELINES OFFENSE TABLE

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Abuse and Other Offensiv	ve Cond	uct						
Child Abuse								
Abuse and Other Offensive ConductChild Abuse physical	1-0173, 1-3802	27, §35C(b)(1)	Felony	15Y		Person	IV	
Abuse and Other Offensive ConductChild Abuse sexual	1-0173, 1-3802	27, §35C(b)(1)	Felony	15Y		Person	IV	
Abuse and Other Offensive ConductChild Abuse with death	1-0688, 1-0689	27, §35C(b)(2)	Felony	30Y		Person	II	
Abuse and Other Offensive ConductContributing to certain conditions of a child	2-0238	CJ, §3-831(a)	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$25,000
Abuse and Other Offensive ConductSell, barter, trade, etc. a child for money, property, etc.	1-0481	27, §35E	Misd.	5Y		Person	V	\$10,000
Abuse and Other Offensive ConductDesertion-non-support minor child	2-3899, 3-3899	FL, §10-203	Misd.	3Y		Person	VII	\$100
Vulnerable Adult								
Abuse and Other Offensive ConductInterfering with rights of mentally retarded individual		HG, § 7-1102	Misd.	2Y		Person	VII	\$5,000
Abuse and Other Offensive ConductAbuse, neglect of vulnerable adult by custodian	1-0466	27, §35D	Misd.	5Y		Person	V	\$5,000
Animals, Crimes Against								
Animals, Crimes AgainstCruelty to Animals dog fighting	1-0027, 2-0027	27, §59(b)(2)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
Animals, Crimes AgainstCruelty to Animals injuring a racehorse	2-0260, 5-7199	27, §61	Felony	3Y	1Y	Property	VI	
Animals, Crimes AgainstHarm, disable, etc. an animal used by law enforcement	3-5720	27, §59(b)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
Animals, Crimes Against Intentional mutilation or cruel killing of an animal or the authorization	1-7198	27, §59(b)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VI	\$5,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
rson and Burning								
Arson and BurningBurning personal property of another, \$1,000 or more (malicious burning 1st degree)	1-6502	27, §8(a)(1),(3)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
Arson and BurningBurn personal property of another less than \$1,000 (malicious burning, 2nd degree)	1-6503	27, §8(a)(1),(2)	Misd.	18M		Property	VII	\$500
Arson and BurningArson- dwelling or occupied structure (arson 1st degree)	1-6500	27, §6(a)	Felony	30Y**		Property	III	\$50,00
Arson and BurningArson-Other structure (arson, 2nd degree)	1-6501	27, §7(a)	Felony	20Y		Property	IV	\$30,00
Arson and BurningArson trash bin	2-2003	27, §9A(a)	Misd.	30D		Property	VII	\$500
Arson and BurningArson-threat of	1-6505	27, §9(a)(1),(2)	Misd.	10Y		Property	V	\$10,000
Arson and BurningBurning property with intent to defraud	1-6504	27, §8(b)(1)	Misd.	5Y		Property	VI	\$5,000

# Assault and Other Bodily Woundings

Assault							
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsAssault-assault on division of correction or Patuxent institution, jail or detention center inmate or employee, 1st degree or 2nd degree	1-1435, 1-1440	27, §12A-6(a)	1st=Fel ony 2nd=Mi sd.	1st=25 Y** 2nd=1 0Y	Person	IV	2nd = \$2,500
Assault and other Bodily WoundingsAssault, 1st degree	1-1420	27, §12A-1	Felony	25Y**	Person	III	
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsAssault, 2nd degree	1-1415	27, §12A	Misd.	10Y	Person	V	\$2,500
Cause a life threatening inji	ıry by veh	icle, boat					
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsCause a life threatening injury by vehicle, boat while under the influence of alcohol	1-0770	27, §388B(c)	Misd.	2Y	Person	VI	\$3,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsCause a life threatening injury by vehicle, boat while under the influence of a controlled dangerous substance	1-0780	27, §388B(e)	Misd.	2Y		Person	VI	\$3,000
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsCause a life threatening injury by vehicle, boat while under the influence of drugs	1-0775	27, §388B(d)	Misd.	2Y		Person	VI	\$3,000
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsCause a life threatening injury by vehicle, boat while intoxicated	1-0765	27, §388B(b)	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Poisoning								
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsPoisoning-attempted	2-0999	27, §450	Felony	10Y	2Y	Person	II	
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsPoisoning- contaminating water, food, etc.	1-0319, 3-0999	27, §451	Felony	20Y		Person	Π	
Other								
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsReckless endangerment	1-1425, 1-1430	27, §12A-2	Misd.	5Y		Person	V	\$5,000
Assault and Other Bodily WoundingsFemale genital mutilation-perform or consent to	1-0965, 1-0970	HG, §20-603	Felony	5Y		Person	V	\$5,000
Assault Pistols								
Assault PistolsUse of assault pistol; magazine with a capacity of more than 20 rounds in the commission of a felony or crime of violence, 1st offense	3-5260	27, §36H-6(b)(1)	Misd.	20Y	MM* =5Y	Person	III	\$5,000
Assault PistolsUse of assault pistol; magazine with a capacity of more than 20 rounds in the	3-5260	27, §36H-6(b)(2)	Misd.	20Y	MM* =10Y	Person	II	\$5,000

commission of a felony or crime

of violence, subsequent

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Assault PistolsUnlawfully possess, sell, offer to sell, transfer in, purchase, etc., an assault pistol; a detachable magazine with a capacity of more than 20 rounds of ammo.	3-5250, 3-5255	27, §§36H-3, 36H- 5	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
ssisted Suicide								
Assisted SuicideCoercion; provide means; participation	2-0175, 2-0180, 2-0185	27, §416	Felony	1Y		Person	VII	\$10,00
ad Check								
Bad CheckFelony Bad Check, \$500 or greater	3-4040, 3-4050, 3-4060, 3-4070, 3-4080, 2-2610, 2-2620	1066	Felony	15Y		Property	V	\$1,000
Bad CheckMisdemeanor Bad Check, less than \$500	3-4045, 3-4055, 3-4065, 3-4075, 3-4085	27, §§141,143	Misd.	18M		Property	VII	\$100
ribery								
BriberyBribery to or by public officer	1-5101, 1-5103	27, §22	Felony	12Y	2Y	Property	V	\$100- \$5,000
BriberyBribery-athletic contestant accepts bribe	2-5103	27, §24	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$5,000
BriberyEmbracery or acceptance of bribe by juror	2-5100, 2-5110	27, §25	Misd.	6Y		Property	VI	
BriberyPerson or persons who bribe or attempt to bribe a participant, etc., in athletic contest	1-5100	27, §23	Misd.	3Y		Property	VI	\$100- \$5,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Burglary and Related Crimes Breaking and entering-research facility	2-3070	27, §34(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
Burglary and Related Crimes Breaking and entering-motor vehicle	2-3080, 2-3090	27, §35	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	
Burglary and Related Crimes Burglary, 1st degree	2-3000	27, §29(a)	Felony	20Y**		Property	III	
Burglary and Related Crimes Burglary, 2nd degree	2-3010	27, §30(a)	Felony	15Y**		Property	IV	
Burglary and Related Crimes Burglary, 2nd degree, steal or take firearm	2-3015	27, §30(b)	Felony	20Y**		Property	IV	\$10,000
Burglary and Related Crimes Burglary, 3rd degree	2-3020	27, §31(a)	Felony	10Y**		Property	IV	
Burglary and Related Crimes Burglary, 4th degree	2-3030, 2-3040, 2-3045, 2-3050	27, §32(a),(b),(c)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	
Burglary and Related Crimes Burglary, with explosives	2-3060	27, §33(a)	Felony	20Y**		Property	III	
<b>CDS and Paraphernalia</b>								
Distribution								
CDS and Paraphernalia Distribution-unlawful manufacture, distribution, etc.; counterfeiting, etc.; manufacture, possession, etc., of certain equipment for illegal use; keeping common nuisance schedule I through V non-narcotics (e.g., amphetamines, marijuana, diazepam, and Valium)	1-0233, 1-0234, 1-0235, 1-0236, 1-0237, 1-0238, 1-0239, 1-0490, 2-3550	27, §286(b)(3)	Felony	5Y		Drug	IV	\$15,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Distribution-unlawful manufacture, distribution, etc.; counterfeiting, etc.; manufacture, possession, etc., of certain equipment for illegal use; keeping common nuisance schedule I through V non-narcotics (e.g., amphetamines, marijuana, diazepam, and Valium), subsequent	1-0233, 1-0234, 1-0235, 1-0236, 1-0237, 1-0238, 1-0239, 1-0490, 2-3550	27, §286(b)(3)	Felony	5Y	MM* =2Y	Drug	IV	\$15,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
CDS and Paraphernalia Distribution-unlawful manufacture, distribution, etc.; counterfeiting, etc., manufacture, possession, etc., of certain equipment for illegal use; keeping common nuisance, schedule I or II narcotics (e.g., pcp, heroin, cocaine, and LSD)	$\begin{array}{c} 1-0491,\\ 1-0696,\\ 2-0233,\\ 2-0234,\\ 2-0235,\\ 2-0236,\\ 2-0237,\\ 2-0300,\\ 2-0301,\\ 2-0301,\\ 2-0325,\\ 2-0330,\\ 2-0696,\\ 3-0233,\\ 3-0234,\\ 3-0235,\\ 3-0236,\\ 3-0237\end{array}$	27, §286(b)(1)(2)	Felony	20Y		Drug	III	(b)(1) = \$25,000 (b)(2) = \$20,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Distribution-unlawful manufacture, distribution, etc.; counterfeiting, etc., manufacture, possession, etc., of certain equipment for illegal use; keeping common nuisance, schedule I or II narcotics (e.g., pcp, heroin, cocaine, and LSD), subsequent	1-0491, 1-0696, 2-0233, 2-0234, 2-0235, 2-0236, 2-0237, 2-0300, 2-0301, 2-0325, 2-0330, 2-0696, 3-0233, 3-0234, 3-0235, 3-0236, 3-0237	27, §286(c)(1); 27, §286(d)(1); 27, §286(e)(1)	Felony	20Y 25Y 40Y	MM* =10Y MM* =25Y MM* =40Y	Drug	Π	\$100,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Distribution-distribution of non- controlled substance as controlled dangerous substance	1-0246, 7-0000	27, §286B	Felony	5Y		Drug	IV	\$15,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Distribution-drug kingpin	1-0488	27, §286(g)	Felony	40Y	MM* =20Y	Drug	II	\$1,000,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Distribution-unlawful manufacture, distribution, etc.; counterfeiting, etc., manufacture, possession, etc., of certain equipment for illegal use; keeping common nuisance, schedule I or II narcotics (e.g., pcp, heroin, cocaine, and LSD),Large amounts	2-0220, 2-0225, 2-0230, 2-0231	27, §286(f)(3)	Felony	20Y	MM* =5Y	Drug	III	\$100,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
CDS and Paraphernalia Distribution-unlawful manufacture, distribution, etc.; counterfeiting, etc.; manufacture, possession, etc., of certain equipment for illegal use; keeping common nuisance schedule I through V non-narcotics (e.g., amphetamines, marijuana, diazepam, and Valium), Large amounts	2-0210, 2-0215	27, §286(f)(3)	Felony	5Y	MM* =5Y	Drug	IV	\$100,000
Importation								
CDS and Paraphernalia Controlled dangerous substance importation into state	3-3550	27, §286A(a)(1)	Felony	25Y		Drug	III	\$50,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Controlled dangerous substance importation into state, marijuana 5-45 kilos	1-0730	27, §286A(a)(2)	Felony	10Y		Drug	IV	\$10,000
Paraphernalia								
CDS and Paraphernalia Paraphernalia-controlled dangerous substance- paraphernalia- use or possession, with intent to use, subsequent	5-3555	27, §287A(c)	Misd.	2Y		Drug	VII	\$2,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Paraphernalia-controlled dangerous substance- paraphernalia-delivery or sale generally, etc., subsequent	6-3555	27, §287A(d)(1)	Misd.	2Y		Drug	VII	\$2,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Paraphernalia-controlled dangerous substance- paraphernalia-delivery or sale to minor by adult three or more years older	7-3550	27, §287A(d)(2)	Misd.	8Y		Drug	IV	\$15,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Paraphernalia-unlawfully advertise with the purpose to promote the sale and delivery of drug paraphernalia, subsequent	9-0092	27, §287A(e)	Misd.	2Y		Drug	VII	\$2,000

Possession

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
CDS and Paraphernalia Possession-unlawful possession or administering to another; obtaining, etc., substance or paraphernalia by fraud, forgery, misrepresentation, etc.; affixing forged labels; altering, etc., label; unlawful possession or distribution of, controlled paraphernalia - non-marijuana	4-3550, 1-0247, 1-0248, 1-0249, 1-0250, 1-0251, 1-0252, 1-0253, 1-0254, 1-0255, 1-0256, 1-0257	27, §287	Misd.	4Y		Drug	V	\$25,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Possession-unlawful possession or administering to another, obtaining, etc., substance or paraphernalia by fraud, forgery, misrepresentation, etc.; affixing forged labels; altering etc., label; unlawful possession or distribution of controlled paraphernalia – marijuana	1-0564, 1-0566, 1-0567, 1-0568, 1-0569, 1-0570, 1-0571, 1-0573, 1-0574	27, §287	Misd.	1Υ		Drug	VII	\$1,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Possession-unsolicited mailing of certain drugs, controlled dangerous substances, medicines, etc.	1-0025	27, §300(j)	Misd.	6M		Drug	VII	\$500
Other								
CDS and ParaphernaliaHarmful substances-distribution; possession with intent to distribute; instruction in the unlawful inhaling; or distribution of butane can to minor, subsequent	1-0272, 1-0273, 1-0735, 1-3500	27, §301A(a),(b),(c),(d )	Misd.	3Y		Drug	V	\$500
CDS and ParaphernaliaUsing minors for manufacture, delivery or distribution of controlled dangerous substances	1-5409	27, §286C	Felony	20Y		Drug	III	\$20,000
CDS and ParaphernaliaBringing minor into State to violate drug laws	1-0489	27, §286E	Felony	20Y		Drug	III	\$20,000
CDS and Paraphernalia Manufacture, distribution or delivery of controlled substances near schools or on school vehicles	1-0483, 1-0484	27, §286D	Felony	20Y		Drug	III	\$20,000, subsequent = \$40,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
CDS and Paraphernalia Possession/purchase of non-CDS believed to be a controlled dangerous substance	1-0691	27, §287B(b),(e)	Misd.	1Y		Drug	VII	\$500
CDS and ParaphernaliaGive, sell, transfer, trace, invest, conceal, etc.; Receive, acquire, engage in, etc. knowing that the proceeds were derived from CDS offense	1-0673, 1-0675	27, §297B	Felony	5Y		Drug	IV	\$250,000 subsequen = \$500,000
<b>CDS-Registration</b>								
CDS-RegistrationCDS-deliver as a registrant a CDS of Schedule I/II without an order form	9-3550	27, §289	Felony	10Y		Drug	IV	\$100,000
CDS-RegistrationCDS registration use fictitious, etc. registration number; distribute without an order form	1-0263	27, §289	Felony	10Y		Drug	IV	\$100,000
CDS-RegistrationManufacture CDS which was not authorized by registration	8-3550	27, §288	Misd.	2Y		Drug	VII	\$100,000
CDS-Registrationunlawful acts	1-0258, 1-0259, 1-0260, 1-0261, 1-0262	27, §288	Misd.	2Y		Drug	VII	\$100,000
Cemeteries and Funerary	Objects	s, Crimes Invo	olving					
Cemeteries and Funerary Objects,	3-3932	27, §265(b)(1)	Misd.	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000

Cemeteries and Funerary Objects, Crimes InvolvingRemoval or attempted removal of human remains from a burial site	3-3932	27, §265(b)(1)	Misd.	5Y	Property	VI	\$10,000
Cemeteries and Funerary Objects, Crimes InvolvingDestruction of funerary objects/structures placed in a cemetery	3-3942	27, §267(b)	Misd.	5Y	Property	VI	\$10,000
Cemeteries and Funerary Objects, Crimes InvolvingDestruction of graveyard plants	3-3946	27, §267(c)	Misd.	2Y	Property	VII	\$500
Cemeteries and Funerary Objects, Crimes InvolvingDisorderly conduct in cemetery	3-3947	27, §267(c)	Misd.	2Y	Property	VII	\$500

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Commercial Fraud, Other	r							
Business								
Commercial Fraud, OtherFalse or misleading statement or omission of material fact in sale of business opportunity	1-0871	BR, §14-127(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000
Commercial Fraud, OtherOffer or sale of franchise without registration	2-0633	BR, §14-228(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000
Commercial Fraud, OtherUntrue statements or omissions of material fact in connection with an offer to sell or sale of a franchise	1-0870	BR, §14-229(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000
Commercial Fraud, OtherFalse or misleading statement or omission in prospectus or amendment	2-0634	BR, §14-230(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000
Commercial Fraud, OtherUntrue statements or omissions of material fact in applications, notices, or reports in sale of franchise	2-0635	BR, §14-231(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000
Commercial Fraud, Other Failure to notify Commissioner of material change in sale of franchise	2-0636	BR, §14-232(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000
Financial Institutions								
Commercial Fraud, OtherFalse statement or false entry in records with the intent to deceive a person authorized to examine the affairs of the bank, trust company, or savings bank.	1-5581	FI, §5-803(b)	Felony	10Y		Property	V	\$5,000
Commercial Fraud, Other Misappropriation, fraudulent conversion, or any fraudulent act in the course of engaging in the mortgage lending business	2-0946	FI, §11-523©	Felony	15Y		Property	V	\$100,000

Insurance

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Commercial Fraud, Other Fraudulent Insurance Acts- Violation of § 27-407 or any other provision of the subtitle (§27-403, §27-404, §27-405, §27- 406, §27-407) where the value of the fraud exceeds \$300	3-0120, 3-0125, 3-0126, 3-0130, 3-0150, 3-0160	IN, §27-408(a)(1)	Felony	15Y		Property	V	\$10,000
Commercial Fraud, Other Fraudulent Insurance Acts- violation of any provision of the subtitle where the value of the fraud is less than \$300	3-0127, 3-0135, 3-0140, 3-0145, 3-0155, 3-0165	IN, §27-408(a)(2)	Misd.	18M		Property	VII	\$10,000
Real Estate						_		
Commercial Fraud, OtherSales of property, deposits on new homes		RP, §10-305(a)	Felony	15Y		Property	V	\$10,000
Commercial Fraud, OtherSales of property, Custom Home Protection Act-willful failure to obtain and maintain a corporate surety bond or to hold sums of money in escrow account; willful failure to make disclosure; willful commission of a breach of trust provided in § 10-502 of this subtitle.	1-0123, 1-0124	RP, §10-507(b)(2)	Felony	15Y		Property	V	\$10,000
Commercial Fraud, OtherOther conduct that fails to comply with statute	1-0679	RP, §10-507(b)(3)	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Other								
Commercial Fraud, OtherFraud- breach of trust	1-2602	27, §163	Misd.	10Y		Property	VI	\$500- \$5,000
Commercial Fraud, OtherFraud- convert to own use the property of partner	2-2701, 3-2607	27, §173	Misd.	10Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
Commercial Fraud, OtherFraud, misrepresentation by corporate officer	4-2507, 4-2607	27, §174	Misd.	3Y	6M	Property	VI	\$1,000- \$10,000
Commercial Fraud, Other-Fraud false advertising	5-2607	27, §198	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$500
Commercial Fraud, OtherFraud- pyramid, promotional scheme	6-2600	27, §233D	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$10,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Commercial Fraud, Other Unlawful subleasing of motor vehicle	2-0615	27, §208(b),(d)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$5,000
Consumer Protection Law	VS							
Consumer Protection Laws Violation of Title 14 - Miscellaneous Consumer Protection Provisions, Credit Card Number Protection Act	2-0550, 2-0560, 2-0570, 3-2210, 1-5420	CL, §14-1404	Felony	15Y		Property	V	\$1,000
Counterfeiting								
CounterfeitingFalsifying, destroying, concealing, accessing, etc., public records	2-2504, 3-2504, 5-2504	27, §45A	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
CounterfeitingForgery, counterfeiting, etc. of public documents	1-2500, 1-2504	27, §45	Felony	10Y	2Y	Property	V	
CounterfeitingForgery, counterfeiting, etc.	1-2502	Common Law; 27, §44(a)	Felony	10Y		Property	V	\$1,000
CounterfeitingOrders, etc., for money or goods	1-2501	27, §48	Felony	10Y	2Y	Property	V	
CounterfeitingForgery-uttering	1-2513	Common Law; 27, §44(b)	Felony	10Y		Property	V	\$1,000
CounterfeitingCounterfeit, forge state stock	1-2510	27, §53	Misd.	10Y	2Y	Property	V	
CounterfeitingCounterfeit comptroller stamp	1-2603	27, §47	Misd.	10Y		Property	V	
CounterfeitingCounterfeiting any public seal	1-2601	27, §46	Misd.	10Y		Property	V	
CounterfeitingForgery- trademark counterfeiting, \$1,000 or greater	1-2545	27, §48A	Misd.	18M		Property	VII	\$1,000
CounterfeitingTrademark counterfeiting, less than \$1,000	1-2540	27, §48A	Felony	15Y		Property	V	\$10,00
CounterfeitingForgery-altering, forging, or counterfeiting any substance or device used by food canners	1-2512	27, §54	Felony	5Y	1Y	Property	VI	

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
CounterfeitingPossess, utter forged, etc. U.S. currency	1-0468	27, §44(d)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
CounterfeitingPossession forged vehicle title	2-0035	27, §44(c)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
CounterfeitingUnlawful possession of forged, etc., motor vehicle title	1-0468	27, §44 (c)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Counterfeiting Make, utter, forge, etc. tickets, coupons, tokens, etc. without the authority of the person or corporation issuing, selling, etc.; assist in making, uttering, forging, etc. of tickets, coupons, tokens, etc.; or utter or pass, knowing it to be so made	3-2502, 3-2510	27, §56	Misd.	1Υ		Property	VII	
redit Card Crimes								

Credit Card Crimes Misdemeanor Credit Card, less than \$500	1-2607, 1-2399, 2-2803, 1-2899, 1-2605, 1-2803, 3-4120, 3-4120, 3-4130, 3-4140, 3-4150, 3-4160, 3-4170	27, §145	Misd.	18M	Property	VII	\$500
Credit Card CrimesFelony Credit Card, \$500 or greater	1-0196, 1-0197, 1-0198, 1-0199, 1-0200, 3-4125, 3-4135, 3-4145, 3-4155, 3-4165, 3-4175	27, §145	Felony	15Y	Property	V	\$1,000
Credit Card CrimesCredit Cards-possess with unlawful intent a payment device number	3-2210	CL, §14-1403	Felony	15Y	Property	V	\$1,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Credit Card CrimesPublish or cause to be published the number or code of existing, canceled, etc. telephone credit card, or associated numbering or coding system, with the intent that it be used or with knowledge that it may be used fraudulently	2-2605	27, §557A	Misd.	1Υ		Property	VII	\$500

# Crimes Against the Person, Generally

Crimes Against the Person, GenerallyAdministered controlled dangerous substance before committing crime of violence	2-0710	27, §287C	Misd.	1Y	Person	VII	\$2,500
Destructive Devices							
Destructive DevicesExplosives- sale	1-0022	38A , §§31, 34B	Felony	20Y	Person	III	\$10,000
Destructive DevicesFirearm, explosive on aircraft	2-5203	TR, §5-1008	Felony	10Y	Person	III	
Destructive DevicesExplosives- possession without license	1-0033	38A, §§27A, 34A	Felony	20Y	Person	III	\$10,000
Destructive DevicesExplosives- possession without a license		38A, §§29, 34	Misd.	5Y	Property	VI	\$5,000
Destructive DevicesExplosives- unlawful manufacture or dealing w/o license	1-0416	38A, §§27, 34	Misd.	5Y	Property	VI	\$5,000
Destructive DevicesDevices- phony destructive device	2-5215	27, §151C	Felony	10Y	Property	V	\$10,000
Destructive Devices Manufacture, transport, possess, control, store, sell, distribute, and use a destructive device.	1-0720	27, §§139C, 139D	Felony	25Y	Property	III	\$250,000
Destructive DevicesPossess explosive, incendiary and toxic material with the intent to create a destructive device	1-0725	27, §§139C, 139D	Felony	25Y	Property	III	\$250,000
Disturbing the Peace							

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Disturbing the Peace, Disorderly Conduct, and Related Crimes Rioting	3-1314	Common Law	Misd.	LIFE		Person	IV	
Disturbing the Peace, Disorderly Conduct, and Related Crimes Flag-official defacing/desecrate in a manner intended to incite or produce an imminent breach of peace or under circumstances likely to incite or produce an imminent breach of peace	1-0405, 1-0671	27, §83	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Election Offenses								
Election OffensesVoting by person convicted of infamous crime (i.e., felony)	2-0374	33, §16-202(b)	Felony	5Y	1Y	Property	VI	
Election OffensesTampering with election records	2-0377	33, §16-302(b)	Felony	5Y	1Y	Property	VI	
Election OffensesAdding or deleting votes by election judge	2-0378	33, §16-304(b)	Felony	5Y	1Y	Property	VI	
Election OffensesFalse reports by election judge or election official	2-0381	33, §16-601(b)	Felony	10Y	1Y	Property	V	
Election OffensesDefacing or removing election records related to voting	2-0382	33, §16-701(e)	Felony	10Y	1Y	Property	V	\$50,000
Election OffensesDestruction of voting equipment used or intended to be used on the day of election	2-0383	33, §16-801(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	
Election OffensesUnauthorized access of the electronic voting systems; or tampering, altering the electronic voting system for the purpose of affecting the vote count	2-0384	33, §16-804(b)	Felony	10Y		Property	V	
Estates, Crimes Against								
Estates, Crimes Against Embezzling-destroy, conceal will or codicil	2-2700	27, §127	Misd.	15Y	18M	Property	V	

## **Extortion and Other Threats**

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Extortion and Other Threats Send threat or threaten to take the life, kidnap, or cause bodily injury to state official	1-0477, 1-0478	27, §561A	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$2,500
Extortion and Other Threats Felony Extortion-by anyone, \$500 or greater	3-5060	27, §562B	Felony	10Y		Property	V	\$5,000
Extortion and Other Threats Misdemeanor Extortion-by anyone, less than \$500	3-5050	27, §562B	Misd.	18M		Property	VII	\$500
Extortion and Other Threats Extortion-by false accusation	3-2104, 3-2105	27, §563	Misd.	2Y		Property	VI	
Extortion and Other Threats Misdemeanor Extortion-by state or local officer, less than \$500	3-5070	27, §562C	Misd.	6M		Property	VII	\$500
Extortion and Other Threats Felony Extortion-by state or local officer, \$500 or greater	3-5080	27, §562C	Felony	10Y		Property	V	\$5,000
Extortion and Other Threats Extortion-by state or local officer or employee against another employee	4-2100	27, §562D	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
Extortion and Other Threats Extortion-sending, etc. a threatening letter, etc.	2-5130, 2-5140	27, §561(a)	Felony	10Y	2Y	Property	V	
Extortion and Other Threats Extortion-threatening verbally	2-2104	27, §562	Felony	10Y	2Y	Property	V	
alse Statements, Other								
False Statement								
False Statements, OtherFalse statement-on application for funds for Maryland higher education commission	2-5099	27, §151B(a)	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$5,000
False Statements, OtherFalse Statement-rumor as to bomb	1-5300	27, §151A	Felony	10Y		Property	V	\$10,00
False Statements, OtherFalse Statement-to official or agencies of state or its subdivisions	1-5099	27, §151	Misd.	6M		Property	VII	\$500
False Statements, OtherFalse	1-0207,	27, §150	Misd.	6M		Property	VII	\$500

Statement-to peace or police

officers

1-0690, 1-4803

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Fraud								
False Statements, OtherFraud- wilful failure to file income tax return	1-6101	TG, §13-1001(c)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
False Statements, OtherFraud- wilful failure to withhold income tax		TG, §13-1007(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
False Statements, OtherFraud- wilful preparation of false income tax return	1-7501	TG, §13-1004	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
False Statements, OtherFraud- failure to provide or providing false information wilfully or with intent to evade taxes	1-7500	TG, §13-1024(a)	Misd.	18M		Property	VI	\$5,000
raud, Miscellaneous								
Fraud, MiscellaneousForgery- forgery, etc. of prescriptions, etc.	1-0180, 2-0262, 2-2502, 2-2530	27, §55	Misd.	2Y		Property	VI	
Fraud, MiscellaneousFraud- falsely representing self as lawyer	2-0592	BO, §10-602	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	
Fraud, MiscellaneousFraud- misuse by lawyer		BO, §10-306; §10-606	Misd.	5Y		Property	V	
Fraud, MiscellaneousHome improvement, without license	2-0256, 2-0257, 2-0275	BR, §8-601	Misd.	2Y		Property	VII	\$5,000
Fraud, MiscellaneousFraud- failure to deliver receipts for stored grain	6-2610	27, §229	Misd.	10Y		Property	VI	\$500- \$5,000
Fraud, MiscellaneousFalse advertising	1-0009	27, §195	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Fraud, MiscellaneousWillful transportation of unstamped cigarettes or other tobacco	1-7520	TG, §13-1015	Felony	1Y		Property	VII	Not exceedi \$50 for

has not been paid Fraud, Miscellaneous--Out-of- 2-0356 2B, §16-506.1(b) Felony 2Y Property state unlicensed sellers of alcohol

products on which tobacco tax

VI

each carton

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Fraud, Miscellaneous Fraudulently substituting wood alcohol for grain alcohol while in the business of making, manufacturing, etc. drugs, medicines, medicinal or chemical preparations	1-5503	27, §230	Misd.	1Υ		Property	VII	\$100-\$500
Fraud, Miscellaneous Fraudulent actions related to cable TV for payment or offer of pay	2-0290, 2-0291, 2-0292, 2-0293, 2-0294, 2-0295, 4-0248	27, §194B	Misd	5Y		Property	VI	\$5,000

## **Gambling, General Provisions**

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Gambling, General Provisions Rent place for gambling	2-3921	27, §239	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$500
Gambling, General Provisions Off-shore gambling	6-2620	27, §246A	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$200- \$1,000
Gambling, General Provisions Owner/occupier of building knowingly permits gaming table to be kept	2-3908	27, §242	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$500
Gambling, General Provisions- Keep, etc. slot machine unlawfully	3-3908	27, §264B	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Gambling, General Provisions Play-thimbles, Little Joker, Crap, etc. for money	1-3903	27, §245	Misd.	2Y		Property	VII	\$100
Gambling, General Provisions Gambling-betting, wagering, etc.; pools on horses, etc.	1-3901, 3-3921	27, §240	Misd.	1Y	6M	Property	VII	\$200- \$1,000
Gambling, General Provisions Gambling-keeping gaming table or place	1-3908	27, §241	Misd.	1Y	6M	Property	VII	\$500
Gambling, General Provisions Keep gaming table/place	1-3921	27, §237	Misd.	1Y	6M	Property	VII	\$500
Gambling, General Provisions Fix horse race	1-0433	27, §240A	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$5,000
Gambling, General Provisions Fraud-enter horse in a race under a name other than that assigned and registered; racing horse under a false or unregistered name	3-2600, 1-0231	27, §233B	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$50,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Handguns								
Sale, Transfer								
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- restrictions on sale, transfer and possession of pistols and revolvers	1-5265, 5-5210	27, §445(b),(d)	Misd.	5Y		Person	VI	\$10,000
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- sale, transfer, etc., of stolen pistols	1-2801	27, §446	Misd.	5Y		Person	VI	\$10,000
Handguns, In GeneralSale of a handgun manufactured on or before 12/31/02 with no external safety lock	2-2020	27, §442C(c); 27, §449(f)	Misd.	5Y		Person	VI	\$10,000
Use in commission of felony	or crime	of violence						
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- unlawful use in commission of felony or crime of violence, 1st offense	1-5299	27, §36B(d)(1)	Misd.	20Y**	MM* =5Y	Person	III	
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- unlawful use in commission of felony or crime of violence, subsequent	1-5299	27, §36B(d)(2)	Misd.	20Y**	MM* =5Y	Person	II	
Wearing, Carrying								
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- carrying, etc., with deliberate purpose to injure or kill	1-5299	27, §36B(b)(4)	Misd.	5Y	MM* =5Y	Person	V	
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- unlawful wearing, carrying, etc., more than two prior weapon offenses, generally	1-5212, 1-0175	27, §36B(b)(3)	Misd.	10Y	MM* =3Y	Person	III	
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- unlawful wearing, carrying on school property, etc., more than two prior weapon offenses	1-5212, 1-0175	27, §36B(b)(3)	Misd.	10Y	MM* =5Y	Person	III	
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- Unlawful wearing, carrying, etc., 1st weapon offense, generally	1-5212, 1-0175	27, §36B(b)(1)	Misd.	3Y	30D	Person	VII	\$250- \$2,500
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- unlawful wearing, carrying, etc., 2nd weapon offense, generally	1-5212, 1-0175	27, §36B(b)(2)	Misd.	10Y	MM* =1Y	Person	III	
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- Unlawful wearing, carrying on school property, etc., 1st weapon offense	1-5212, 1-0175	27, §36B(b)(1)	Misd.	3Y	90D	Person	VII	\$250- \$2,500

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- unlawful wearing, carrying on school property, etc., 2nd weapon offense	1-5212, 1-0175	27, §36B(b)(2)	Misd.	10Y	MM* =3Y	Person	III	
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- Wearing, carrying, etc., under influence	6-5210	27, §36E(1)	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Other								
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- obliterating, etc., identification mark or number	3-5210	27, §444	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	
Handguns, In GeneralHandgun- short-barreled rifles and shotguns, unlawful possession	2-5212	27, §481C(b)	Misd.	5Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Handguns, In GeneralFail to return handgun permit	6-5211	27, §36E(f)	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$100- \$1,000
Handguns, In GeneralFirearm demonstration public place	3-5299	27, §36G	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Iarboring, Escape, and C	ontraba	nd						
Contraband								
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandContraband-deliver, possess, conceal, receive weapon	2-1035, 2-1040, 2-1045, 2-1055	27, §138(b)	Felony	10Y		Person	IV	\$5,000
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandContraband-deliver, possess, conceal, receive to effect an escape	2-1060, 2-1065, 2-1070, 2-1075	27, §138(c)	Felony	10Y		Person	IV	\$5,000
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandContraband- delivery; possession with intent to deliver	2-1080, 2-1085	27, §138(d)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VI	\$1,000
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandDeliver alcoholic beverage to person in confinement; possess alcoholic beverage with the intent to deliver	2-1090, 2-1092	27, §138(e)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VI	\$1,000
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandDeliver controlled substance to person in confinement; possess controlled substance with the intent to deliver	2-1095, 2-1097	27, §138(f)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VI	\$1,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Escape								
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandResisting arrest	1-4801	Common Law	Misd.	LIFE		Person	VI	
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandEscape, 1st degree	2-1010, 2-1015	27, §137	Felony	10Y		Person	IV	\$20,000
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandEscape, 2nd degree	2-1020, 2-1025, 2-1030	27, §137A	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandViolate Home Detention Program	2-0271	CS, 3-409	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	
Harboring								
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandHarbor felon/fugitive	1-0232	27, §268F	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandHarbor fleeing felon	1-4904	27, §268F	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Harboring, Escape, and ContrabandHarboring-prison escapee	2-4904	27, §268G	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000

## **Hate Crimes**

Hate CrimesCrimes against religious property, institutions, or personal property because of race, religious belief-Involving misdemeanor	1-0435, 1-0436, 1-0437, 1-0438, 2-0250, 2-0251, 2-0252, 2-0253	27, §470A(b)(4)	Misd.	3Y	Person	V	\$5,000
Hate CrimesCrimes against religious property, institutions, or personal property because of race, religious belief, involving separate felony resulting in death	1-0435, 1-0436, 1-0437, 1-0438, 2-0250, 2-0251, 2-0252, 2-0253	27, §470A(b)(4)	Felony	20Y	Person	III	\$20,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Hate CrimesCrimes against religious property, institutions, or personal property because of race, religious belief-Involving separate felony generally	1-0435, 1-0436, 1-0437, 1-0438, 2-0250, 2-0251, 2-0252, 2-0253	27, §470A(b)(4)	Misd.	10Y		Person	IV	\$10,000
Identity Fraud								
Identity FraudFraud-personal identification information theft	2-0075, 2-0080, 2-0085, 2-0090	27, §231(b),(c)	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$5,000
Identity FraudSell etc. false ID	1-0432	27, §233E	Misd.	2Y		Property	VII	\$2,000
Influencing or Intimidatin	g Judici	ial Process						
Influencing or Intimidating Judicial ProcessFailure to appear-Felony	1-5001	27, §12B	Felony	5Y		Property	V	\$5,000
Influencing or Intimidating Judicial ProcessContempt, criminal	1-0972	Common Law	Misd.	LIFE		Property	VII	
Influencing or Intimidating Judicial ProcessFailure to appear, Misdemeanor	1-5002	27, §12B	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Influencing or Intimidating Judicial ProcessInduce false testimony	1-6530	27, §761	Misd.	5Y		Person	V	
Influencing or Intimidating Judicial ProcessIntimidating or corrupting jurors, etc.; obstructing justice	1-5006	27, §26	Misd.	5Y		Person	V	\$10,000
Influencing or Intimidating Judicial ProcessObstructing justice	2-5006	27, §26	Misd.	5Y		Person	V	\$10,000
Influencing or Intimidating Judicial ProcessRetaliation for testimony	1-6535	27, §762	Misd.	5Y		Person	V	

# **Interference with Government Operations**

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Interference with or Misuse of Government OperationsHinder police officer	1-0043	Common Law	Misd.	LIFE		Person	VI	
Interference with or Misuse of Government Operations Interference, obstruction or false representation of fire or emergency services personnel	1-0165, 2-0249, 4-5397, 4-5398, 4-5399	27, §11D	Misd.	3Y		Person	VII	
Interference with or Misuse of Government OperationsFalse alarms, fire ambulance or rescue squad calls	1-0208, 1-5308	27, §156	Misd.	5Y		Property	V	\$5,000
Interference with or Misuse of Government Operations Malfeasance, misconduct in office	1-0157	Common Law	Misd.	LIFE		Person Drug Property	V	
Kidnapping and Related (	Crimes							
Child Abduction								
Kidnapping and Related Crimes Abduction-child under 16 by relative in state	1-0364, 1-0365, 1-0366, 2-1005	FL, §§9-304, 307(a)	Misd.	30D		Person	VII	\$250
Kidnapping and Related Crimes Abduction-child under 16 by relative outside state more than 30 days	1-0367, 1-0368, 1-0369, 2-1006	FL, §§9-305, 307(c)	Felony	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Kidnapping and Related Crimes Abduction-child under 16 by relative outside state 30 days or less		FL, §§9-305, 307(b)	Felony	30D		Person	VII	\$250
Kidnapping and Related Crimes Abduction-child under 12	1-1005, 1-0163, 1-0164, 2-0170	27, §2	Felony	20Y**		Person	III	
False Imprisonment								
Kidnapping and Related Crimes False imprisonment	1-0042	Common Law	Misd.	LIFE		Person	V	
Kidnapping and Related Crimes False imprisonment by inmate	3-5730	CS, §8-801(b)	Felony	30Y		Person	II	
Kidnapping								
Kidnapping and Related Crimes Child under 16	4-1005	27, §338	Felony	30Y**		Person	II	

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Kidnapping and Related Crimes Kidnapping-generally	3-1005	27, §337	Felony	30Y**		Person	II	
Lotteries								
LotteriesLotteries, devices to evade lottery proscription	1-3919	27, §357	Misd.	12M	3M	Property	VII	\$200- \$1,000
LotteriesLotteries, importing ticket or possession of lottery records or money	1-0286, 1-0287, 2-3918	27, §362	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
LotteriesLotteries, keeping places for selling, etc., of lottery tickets	4-3921	27, §360	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
LotteriesLotteries, owner permitting use of house, etc., for sale of tickets	5-3921	27, §361	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
LotteriesLotteries, sale or drawing of lottery	1-3918, 2-3925, 2-3930	27, §356	Misd.	12M	3M	Property	VII	\$200- \$1,000
LotteriesLotteries, subsequent	4-3921	27, §366	Misd.	5Y		Property	VI	\$5,000
Machine Guns								
Machine GunsWeapons- possession or use of a machine gun	2-5299	27, §373	Felony	20Y		Person	III	
Machine GunsPossess, use a machine gun for an aggressive purpose	1-1314	27, §374	Misd.	10Y		Person	IV	
Malicious Destruction								
Malicious Destruction and Related CrimesThrowing missiles into occupied vehicle or instrumentality of public transportation	1-2903	27, §111B	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$500
Malicious Destruction and Related CrimesDestruction of property, \$500 or greater	3-4030, 3-4035	27, §111(a),(c)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$2,500

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Malicious Destruction and Related CrimesDestruction of property, less than \$500	3-4025	27, §111(a),(b)	Misd.	60D		Property	VII	\$500
Malicious Destruction and Related CrimesSerial numbers, removing, etc.	1-0291, 2-2800, 2-2810, 2-2820	27, §389	Misd.	18M		Property	VII	\$500
Ianslaughter and Related	l Crime	8						
Manslaughter and Related CrimesHomicide by motor vehicle or vessel while intoxicated	1-0900	27, §388A(b)	Felony	5Y		Person	V	\$5,000
Manslaughter and Related CrimesManslaughter-by automobile, vessel, etc.	1-0909	27, §388	Felony	10Y		Person	IV	\$5,000
Manslaughter and Related CrimesManslaughter-involuntary	1-0910	Common Law; 27, §387	Felony	10Y		Person	IV	\$500
Manslaughter and Related CrimesManslaughter-voluntary	1-0910	27, §387	Felony	10Y**		Person	IV	\$500
Manslaughter and Related CrimesNegligent homicide-auto, boat, drugs, CDS	1-0755, 1-0760	27, §388A(d),(e)	Felony	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Iarriage, Crimes Against	;							
Marriage, Crimes Against Bigamy	1-3804	27, §18	Misd.	9Y		Person	VI	
<b>Iotor Vehicle Offenses</b>								
<b>Driver failing to remain at so</b> Motor Vehicle OffensesDriver failing to remain at scene- Accidents resulting in death of another person	.ene	TR, §§27- 101(o)(2), 20-102	Misd	5Y		Person	V	\$5,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriver failing to remain at scene- Accidents resulting in bodily injury to another person		TR, §§27- 101(o)(1), 20-102	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$3,000
DUI								
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while under the influence of alcohol, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(f)(1)(ii)(2)(A), 21-902(b)	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$500

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while under the influence of drugs or drugs or alcohol, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(f)(1)(ii)(2)(B), 21-902©	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$500
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while under the influence of controlled dangerous substance, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(f)(1)(ii)(2)(c), 21-902(d)	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$500
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while under the influence of alcohol, while transporting a minor, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(q)(2)(i)(ii), 21- 902(b)	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$2,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while under the influence of drugs or drugs and alcohol, while transporting a minor, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(q)(2)(i)(ii), 21- 902©	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$2,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while under the influence of a controlled dangerous substance, while transporting a minor, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(q)(2)(i)(ii), 21- 902(d)	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$2,000
DWI								
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while intoxicated or intoxicated per se, while transporting a minor, 2nd Offense		TR, §§27- 101(q)(1)(i)(ii)(iii), 21-902(a)	Misd	3Y		Person	V	\$3,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while intoxicated or intoxicated per se, while transporting a minor, 3rd or subsequent offense		TR, §§27- 101(q)(1)(i)(ii)(iii), 21-902(a)	Misd	4Y		Person	V	\$4,000
Motor Vehicle OffensesDriving while intoxicated or intoxicated per se, third or subsequent offense		TR, §§27- 101(k)(1)(i)(ii)(iii), 21-902(a), 27- 101(j)(2)	Misd	3Y		Person	V	\$3,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while intoxicated or intoxicated per se, 1st offense		TR, §§27- 101(k)(1)(i)(ii)(iii), 21-902(a)	Misd	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while intoxicated or intoxicated per se, second offense		TR, §§27- 101(k)(1)(i)(ii)(iii), 21-902(a), 27- 101(j)(2)	Misd	2Y		Person	VI	\$2,000
Fleeing or Eluding								
Motor Vehicle OffensesFleeing or eluding police that results in a death of another person		TR, §§27- 101(p)(3), 21- 904(b) or (e)	Misd	10Y		Person	IV	\$5,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Motor Vehicle OffensesFleeing or eluding police that results in bodily injury		TR, §§27- 101(p)(2), 21- 904(b) or (e)	Misd	3Y		Person	V	\$5,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseFleeing or eluding police, 1st Offense		TR, §§27- 101(p)(1)(i)(ii), 21- 904	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseFleeing or eluding police, 2nd offense		TR, §§27- 101(p)(1)(i)(ii), 21- 904	Misd.	2Y		Person	VI	\$1,000
License								
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while license is canceled, suspended, refused, or revoked, 1st offense		TR, §§27- 101(h)(1)(2), 16- 303 (a),(b),(c),(d),(e),(f)	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriving while license is canceled, suspended, refused, or revoked, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(h)(1)(2), 16- 303 (a),(b),(c),(d),(e),(f)	Misd.	2Y		Property	VI	\$1,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseLicense required for dismantler, recycler or scrap processor, 1st offense		TR, §§27- 101(h)(1)(2), 15- 502(a)	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Motor Vehicle Offense Dealer's license required-a person may not conduct the business of a dealer unless licensed by the Administration under this subtitle, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(i)(1)(2), 15- 302	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$2,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseDriver's license required, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(f)(1)(ii)(1), 16- 101	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$500
Motor Vehicle OffenseVehicle salesman's license required, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(i)(1)(2),15-402	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$2,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseLicense required for dismantler, recycler or scrap processor, 2nd offense		TR, §§27- 101(h)(1)(2), 15- 502(a)	Misd.	2Y		Property	VI	\$2,000
Security								
Motor Vehicle Offense Providing false evidence of required security, 1st Offense		TR, §§27- 101(h)(1)(2), 17- 110	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$500
Motor Vehicle Offense Providing false evidence of required security, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(h)(1)(2), 17- 110	Misd.	2Y		Property	VI	\$1,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Motor Vehicle OffenseRequired security-a person who knows or has reason to know that a motor vehicle is not covered by the required security may not drive the vehicle; or, if owner, knowingly permit another person to drive it, 1st Offense		TR, §§27- 101(h)(1)(2), 17- 107	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Motor Vehicle OffenseRequired security-a person who knows or has reason to know that a motor vehicle is not covered by the required security may not drive the vehicle; or, if owner, knowingly permit another person to drive it, subsequent		TR, §§27- 101(h)(1)(2), 17- 107	Misd.	2Y		Property	VI	\$1,000
Other								
Motor Vehicle Offense Possession of motor vehicle master key		TR, §§27- 101(f)(1)(i), 14- 103	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Motor Vehicle Offense Transportation of hazardous materials, subsequent		TR, §§27-101 (e)(1)(2), 21-1411	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$2,000

# Murder

Murder1st degree perpetration of arson	2-0900	Common Law; 27, §408	Felony	LIFE* *	MM* =LIFE	Person	Ι
Murder1st degree burning barn, tobacco house, etc.	2-0900	Common Law; 27, §409	Felony	LIFE* *	MM* =LIFE	Person	Ι
Murder1st degree generally	2-0900	Common Law; 27, §407	Felony	LIFE* *	MM* =LIFE	Person	Ι
Murder1st degree, attempted	2-0910	Common Law; 27, §411A(b)	Felony	LIFE* *		Person	II
Murder1st degree, solicitation	2-0900	Common Law	Felony	LIFE		Person	II
Murder1st degree, during rape, etc.	2-0900	Common Law; 27, §410	Felony	LIFE* *	MM* =LIFE	Person	Ι
Murder2nd degree	1-0999	Common Law; 27, §412	Felony	30Y**		Person	II
Murder2nd degree, attempted	2-0920	27, §411A(a)	Felony	30Y**		Person	III

# Nudity and Related Sexual Displays

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Nudity and Related Sexual DisplaysIndecent exposure	1-3605	Common Law; 27, §335A	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$1,000
<b>D</b> bscene Matter								
Child Pornography								
Obscene MatterChild pornography-subsequent	1-0298, 1-0299, 1-0300, 1-0315, 2-3799	27, §419A	Felony	20Y		Person	III	\$50,000
Obscene MatterChild pornography-1st offense	1-0298, 1-0299, 1-0300, 1-0315, 2-3799	27, §419A	Felony	10Y		Person	IV	\$25,000
Obscene advertising								
Obscene MatterObscene advertising, 1st offense	1-0562	27, §421	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Obscene MatterObscene advertising, subsequent	1-0562	27, §421	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$5,000
<b>Obscene performances</b>								
Obscene MatterObscene performances in Anne Arundel, Charles, Howard, Somerset, Wicomico, Worcester counties, 1st Offense		27, §§418B, 424	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Obscene MatterObscene performances in Anne Arundel, Charles, Howard, Somerset, Wicomico, Worcester counties, subsequent		27, §§418B, 424	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Possession								
Obscene MatterPossession of visual representations of persons under age 16 engaged in certain sexual acts, 1st Offense	2-0242	27, §419B(a),(c)	Misd	1Y		Person	VII	\$25,000
Obscene MatterPossession of visual representations of persons under age 16 engaged in certain sexual acts, subsequent	2-0242	27, §419B (a),(c)	Misd	2Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
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Sale to Minors

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Obscene MatterSale or display of certain items to persons under 18, 1st Offense	1-3799, 1-0297	27, §§419, 424	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Obscene MatterSale or display of certain items to persons under 18, subsequent	1-3799, 1-0297	27, §§419, 424	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Sending, Bringing into State	2							
Obscene MatterSending or bringing into State for sale or distribution, publishing, etc., 1st Offense	1-3705, 1-0294, 1-0295, 1-0296	27, §§418, 424	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Obscene MatterSending or bringing into State for sale or distribution, publishing, etc., subsequent	1-3705, 1-0294, 1-0295, 1-0296	27, §§418, 424	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Other								
Obscene MatterHire minor to distribute obscene material	3-3799	27, §420	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Obscene MatterRequiring acceptance of obscene matter as condition to sale, etc.; denial of franchise, etc., for failure to accept obscene matter, 1st Offense		27, §§422, 424	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Obscene MatterRequiring acceptance of obscene matter as condition to sale, etc.; denial of franchise, etc., for failure to accept obscene matter, subsequent		27, §§422, 424	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000

PerjuryPerjury-subornation of perjury	1-5004	27, §438	Misd.	10Y	Person	IV
PerjuryPerjury-wilfully filing false income tax returns-perjury	2-1180	TG, §13-1002(b)	Felony	10Y	Property	IV
PerjuryPerjury	1-0307, 1-0308, 1-0309, 1-0310, 1-5003	27, §435	Misd.	10Y	Property	V
PerjuryAffirmation of two contradictory statements	2-5003	27, §437	Misd.	10Y	Property	V

Offense	CJIS	Source	Felony	Max	Min	Offense	Serious	Fine
Literal	Code		or Misd.	Term	Term	Туре	-ness	

# **Prescription Drugs and Other Substances**

Prescription Drugs and Other SubstancesHarmful substances- distribution; possession with intent to distribute; instruction in the unlawful inhaling; or distribution of butane can to minor, 1st offense	1-0272, 1-0273, 1-0735, 1-3500	27, §301A(a),(b),(c),(d )	Misd.	18M		Drug	VII	\$1,000
Prescription Drugs and Other SubstancesHarmful substances- smelling or inhaling harmful substances	1-5599	27, §301(a)	Misd.	6M		Drug	VII	\$500
Prescription Drugs and Other SubstancesPossession- manufacture, distribute, etc.; obtain by fraud, etc., forgery, etc., label property, destruction	1-0010, 1-0264, 1-0265, 1-0266, 1-0267, 1-0268, 1-0269, 1-0270, 1-0271	27, §300(g-1)	Misd.	2Y		Drug	VII	\$1,000
Prescription Drugs and Other SubstancesPossession- compounding or selling different drug, controlled dangerous substance, medicine, etc.	1-0018	27, §300(i)	Misd.	12M	1M	Drug	VII	\$100-\$500

## **Prostitution and Related Crimes**

Abduction						
Prostitution and Related Crimes Abduction-child under 16 for immoral purposes	1-1000, 1-0160, 1-0161, 2-0160, 2-0165	27, §1	Misd.	8Y **	Person	III
Prostitution						
Prostitution and Related Crimes Prostitution, etcplacing, etc., spouse in house of prostitution, etc.	1-0306, 5-4002	27, §429	Felony	10Y	Person	IV
Prostitution and Related Crimes Prostitution, etcreceiving money, etc. for procuring person for house of prostitution, etc.	4-4002	27, §428	Felony	10Y	Person	IV

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Prostitution and Related Crimes Prostitution, etcdetaining person in house of prostitution for debt, etc.	1-4000	27, §431	Felony	12Y		Person	IV	
Prostitution and Related Crimes Prostitution, etcreceiving earnings of prostitute	6-4002	27, §430	Felony	10Y		Person	IV	
Prostitution and Related Crimes Prostitution, etctransporting person for prostitution	1-4006	27, §432	Felony	10Y		Person	IV	
Prostitution and Related Crimes Prostitution, etcpandering generally	1-0302, 1-0303, 2-4002	27, §426	Misd.	12Y		Person	IV	\$5,000
Prostitution and Related Crimes Prostitution, etcplacing, etc., person for immoral purposes	1-0304, 1-0305, 3-4002	27, §427	Misd.	10Y		Person	IV	\$1,000
Prostitution and Related Crimes Prostitution, etcbawdy houses and house of ill fame	1-0166, 1-0167, 1-0168, 1-0464, 1-4001, 1-4005, 1-4007	27, §§15, 17	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$500
Prostitution and Related Crimes Prostitution etcsolicitation	1-4002	27, §15(e)	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$500
ublic Fraud								
Public Assistance								
Public FraudFraud-Public Assistance fraud, generally (with the exception of medicaid fraud)	7-2607	27, §230A	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Public FraudPerjury-Public Assistance fraud in application	2-2607	27, §230A(c)	Felony	10Y		Property	V	
Public FraudFraud-Falsely obtain legal representation by the Office of the Public Defender	6-2607	27, §214B	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$1,000
Public FraudSale or purchase of food stamp benefits; or sale or purchase of merchandise with food stamp benefits, \$1000 or greater		88A, §89(c)(1)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Public FraudSale or purchase of food stamp benefits; or sale or purchase of merchandise with food stamp benefits, less than \$1000		88A, §89(c)(2)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$1,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Public FraudState Health Plan Fraud, Resulting in Death- Defraud State Health Plan; Obtain State Health Plan benefits by false representation; Defraud State Health Plan of the right to honest services; Defraud State Health Plan by false representation; Solicit, offer, make, etc. kickback, bribe in connection with State Health Plan services, etc. Solicit, offer, make, etc. a rebate of a fee, charge, etc. in connection with State Health Plan referral; Induce false representation; etc. of a facility, etc. to help such facility qualify to receive reimbursement under State Health Plan; Fraudulently obtain or aid in obtaining a drug product/medical care using State Health Plan funds;Possession of a medical or pharmacy assistance card w/o authorization, involving.	2-2125, 2-2165, 2-2325, 2-2365, 2-2990, 2-2880, 2-2930, 2-4125, 2-2970	27, §§230C(1), 230C(2), 230C(3), 230C(4), 230D(b), 230D(c), 230E, 230F(a), 230F(b), 230H(a)	Felony	LIFE		Person	Π	\$200,000
Public FraudState Health Plan Fraud, less than \$500-Defraud State Health Plan; Obtain State Health Plan benefits by false representation; Defraud State Health Plan of the right to honest services; Defraud State Health Plan by false representation; Solicit, offer, make, etc. kickback, bribe in connection with State Health Plan services, etc. Solicit, offer, make, etc. a rebate of a fee, charge, etc. in connection with State Health Plan referral; Induce false representation with respect to conditions, etc. of a facility, etc. to help such facility qualify to receive reimbursement under State Health Plan; Fraudulently obtain or aid in obtaining a drug product/medical care using State Health Plan funds; Possession of a medical or pharmacy assistance card w/o authorization, involving.	2-2110, 2-2150, 2-2190, 2-2350, 2-2975, 2-2865, 2-2910, 2-4110, 2-2995	27, §§230C(1), 230C(2), 230C(3), 230C(4), 230D(b), 230D(c), 230E, 230F(a), 230F(b), 230H(d)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$50,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Public FraudState Health Plan Fraud, \$500 or greater-Defraud State Health Plan; Obtain State Health Plan benefits by false representation; Defraud State Health Plan of the right to honest services; Defraud State Health Plan by false representation; Solicit, offer, make, etc. kickback, bribe in connection with State Health Plan services, etc. Solicit, offer, make, etc. a rebate of a fee, charge, etc. in connection with State Health Plan referral; Induce false representation with respect to conditions, etc. of a facility, etc. to help such facility qualify to receive reimbursement under State Health Plan; Fraudulently obtain or aid in obtaining a drug product/medical care using State Health Plan funds; Possession of a medical or pharmacy assistance card w/o authorization, involving.	2-2115, 2-2155, 2-2195, 2-2355, 2-2980, 2-2870, 2-2920, 2-4115, 2-2960	27, §§230C(1), 230C(2), 230C(3), 230C(4), 230D(b), 230D(c), 230E, 230F(a), 230F(b), 230H(c)	Felony	5Y		Property	V	\$100,000
Other								
Public FraudUse, with intent to defraud, of a facsimile signature, or any reproduction of it, of any authorized officer; or use with intent to defraud, of a facsimile seal, or any reproduction of it, of the State or of any of its political subdivisions	1-0715	SF, §2-305(b)	Felony	10Y		Property	V	\$5,000
Public FraudFalsification, concealment, etc., of material facts in connection with a procurement contract	2-1166	SF, § 11-205.1©	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$20,000
Public FraudViolation of Architectural and Engineering Services subtitle	2-1167	SF, §13-322	Felony	10Y		Property	V	\$20,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Public FraudMinority Business Participation-Fraudulently obtain, etc. or hold certification; aid another person in fraudulently obtaining, etc. certification; willfully obstruct, impede, etc. a State official, etc. investigating the qualifications of a business entity that has requested certification; fraud in any minority business enterprise matter under this subtitle	2-1168	SF, §14-308 (a)(2)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$20,000

# Public Health and Safety, Crimes Against

### Dump, Deposit Litter

Public Health and Safety, Crimes AgainstUnlawfully cause or unlawfully dump, deposit, throw, etc., litter greater than 500 lbs. in weight or 216 cubic feet in volume or for commercial purposes	2-2642, 2-2643	27, §468	Misd.	5Y	Property	VI	\$25,000
Public Health and Safety, Crimes AgainstUnlawfully cause or unlawfully dump, deposit, throw, etc. litter, greater than 100 lbs. in weight or 27 cubic feet in volume.	2-2640, 2-2641	27, §468	Misd.	lΥ	Property	VII	\$10,000
Hazardous substance							
Public Health and Safety, Crimes AgainstHazardous substance- storing, treating, dumping, etc in other than haz. subst. facility; transporting for treatment, storage, etc. to any place other than haz. subst. facility; falsifying required information; authorizing, directing, etc. any offense listed in this section	1-0012, 2-0012, 2-0013, 2-0014	EN, § 7-265 (a)(1)(2)(3)(4)	Felony	5Y	Person	V	\$100,000
Public Health and Safety, Crimes AgainstHazardous Substance- failure to meet requirement for generators; failure to meet standards for hauler certificate or driver certificate; violations of restrictions on transporting controlled haz. Substances	2-0013, 2-0014	EN, §7-265(b)	Misd.	3Y	Person	VII	\$50,000

**Pollutants** 

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Public Health and Safety, Crimes AgainstPollutants-dispersing into state waters, falsification	2-0865	EN, § 9-343(b)	MIsd.	6M		Property	VII	\$10,000
Public Health and Safety, Crimes AgainstPollutants-dispersing into state waters, 1st offense	1-5516	EN, §§ 9-322, 9- 343	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$25,000
Public Health and Safety, Crimes AgainstPollutants-dispersing into state waters, subsequent	1-5516	EN, §§ 9-322, 9- 343	Misd.	2Y		Property	VII	\$50,000
Other								
Public Health and Safety, Crimes AgainstEndangering others	2-0015	EN, § 7-265(d)	Felony	15Y		Person	II	\$250,000
Railroads, Crimes Involvi	ng							
Railroads, Crimes Involving Obstruct, break, damage, etc. railroad with intent to obstruct, overthrow and direct from the tracks a railroad vehicle	3-5740, 3-5750	27, §453A	Felony	10Y		Property	V	\$5,000
Railroads, Crimes Involving Shoot at, throw at a railroad locomotive, motor, tender, car	3-5312	27, §458	Misd.	5Y		Property	VI	\$1,000
Robbery								
Carjacking								
RobberyCarjacking-unarmed	1-0825	27, §348A(b)(1),(2)	Felony	30Y**		Person	III	
RobberyCarjacking-armed	1-0826	27, §348A(b)(1),(2)	Felony	30Y**		Person	II	
With a dangerous or deadly w	weapon							
RobberyWith a dangerous or deadly weapon, take or attempt to take something from someone by force/violence or by threat of force/violence	2-0705	27, §487	Felony	20Y**		Person	III	
Other								
RobberyTake or attempt to take something from someone by force/violence or by threat of force/violence	2-0700	27, §486	Felony	15Y		Person	IV	

## Sabotage

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
SabotageAttempted	1-5521	27, §538	Felony	5Y	6M	Property	VI	\$5,000
SabotageIntentional defective workmanship	1-5520	27, §537	Felony	10Y	1Y	Property	V	\$10,000
SabotageIntentional injury to or interference with property	1-5519	27, §536	Felony	10Y	1Y	Property	V	\$10,000
Sexual Crimes								
Attempted rape								
Sexual CrimesAttempted rape, 1st degree	2-1120	27, §464F	Felony	LIFE* *		Person	II	
Sexual CrimesAttempted rape, 2nd degree	2-1110	27, §464F	Felony	20Y **		Person	III	
Attempted sexual offense								
Sexual CrimesAttempted sexual offense, 1st degree	2-1125	27, §464F	Felony	LIFE* *		Person	II	
Sexual CrimesAttempted sexual offense, 2nd degree	2-1115	27, §464F	Felony	20Y**		Person	III	
Rape								
Sexual CrimesRape, 1st degree	1-1102	27, §462(a)	Felony	LIFE* *		Person	Ι	
Sexual CrimesRape, 2nd degree	2-1103	27, §463(a)	Felony	20Y**		Person	II	
Sex Offense								
Sexual CrimesSex Offense, 1st degree	2-1102	27, §464(a)	Felony	LIFE* *		Person	Ι	
Sexual CrimesSex offense, 2nd degree	2-3600	27, §464A(a)	Felony	20Y**		Person	II	
Sexual CrimesSex Offense, 3rd degree	3-3600	27, §464B(a)	Felony	10Y		Person	V	
Sexual CrimesSex offense, 4th degree	4-3600	27, §464C(a)	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Other								
Sexual CrimesIncest	1-3604	Common Law; 27, §335	Felony	10Y	1Y	Person	V	
Sexual CrimesPerverted sexual practices	6-3600	27, §554	Misd.	10Y		Person	VII	\$1,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Sexual CrimesSodomy	5-3600	Common Law; 27, §553	Felony	10Y		Person	V	
Sexual CrimesSexual acts- committed by Correctional Employee	2-1130, 2-1132	27, §464G	Misd.	3Y		Person	V	\$3,000
Sexual CrimesSolicit to commit 3rd degree sex act	1-0579	Common Law	Misd.	LIFE		Person	V	
Sexual CrimesSex Offender-fail to register	2-2750, 3-4010, 3-4020	27, §792(1)	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Sexual CrimesAdministered controlled dangerous substance before committing sex offense	2-0715	27, §287C	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$25,000
Stalking and Harassment								
Stalking and Harassment Stalking Surveillance and Other Cr	1-6525 rimes Ag	27, §121B(a) gainst Privacy	Misd.	5Y		Person	V	\$5,000
Surveillance and Other Crimes Against PrivacyWiretapping- breaking and entering, etc., to place, remove, or adjust equipment	1-5580	CJ, §10-412	Felony	10Y		Property	V	
Surveillance and Other Crimes Against PrivacyWiretapping- unlawful interception of communications	1-5705, 1-5595	CJ, §10-402(a)	Felony	5Y		Property	V	\$10,000
Surveillance and Other Crimes Against PrivacyDivulging contents of communications		CJ, §10-402 (e)	Misd.	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000
Surveillance and Other Crimes Against PrivacyManufacture, possession, or sale of intercepting device	1-5579	CJ, §10-403(a)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000
Surveillance and Other Crimes Against PrivacyBreaking and entering, etc. to place or remove wiretapping or electronic surveillance or eavesdropping equipment without a court order	1-5580	CJ, §10-412	Felony	10Y		Property	IV	

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Surveillance and Other Crimes Against PrivacyGiving notice of interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications in order to obstruct, impede or prevent such interception	2-0647	CJ, §10-414(b)	Felony	5Y		Property	VI	\$10,000

#### **Telecommunications and Electronics**

#### Access/Attempt to Access Computer Network

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Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Unlawfully access, attempt to access, cause access to, etc. a computer, computer network, etc., to cause malfunction, interruption, alteration, damage, etc.; Unlawfully possess, identify, distribute, etc., a valid access code, less than \$10,000	1-0470, 1-0471, 1-0472	27, §146(c)(2),(3)	Misd.	5Y	Property	V	\$5,000
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Unlawfully access, attempt to access, cause access to, etc. a computer, computer network, etc.,	1-2804	27, §146(c)(1)	Misd.	3Y	Property	VI	\$1,000
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Unlawfully access, attempt to access, cause access to, etc. a computer, computer network, etc., to cause malfunction, interruption, alteration, damage, etc.; Unlawfully possess, identify, distribute, etc., a valid access code, \$10,000 or greater	1-0495, 1-0496, 1-0497	27, §146	Felony	10Y	Property	IV	\$10,000
Bootlegging							
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Record/sell, etc. unauthorized performance, 1st Offense	1-0330, 1-0331, 1-0332, 3-2602	27, §467A	Misd.	1Y	Property	VII	\$2,500
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Record/sell, etc. unauthorized performance, subsequent	1-0330, 1-0331, 1-0332, 3-2602	27, §467A	Misd.	3Y	Property	VII	\$10,000

#### **Telecommunication Device**

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Telecommunication device- possess with intent to distribute, manufacture, etc. a counterfeit telecommunication device; possess a combination of electronic serial numbers and mobile identification numbers in sufficient quantities that would indicate an intent to distribute, manufacture, etc.	2-1220, 2-1240	27, §§557E(c), 557E(e)	Felony	5Y		Property	V	\$10,000
Other								
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Sending lewd, lascivious, and obscene material by electronic mail to harass	2-1135	27, §555C	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$500
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Telephone, unlawful use of	1-0340, 1-0341, 1-5309	27, §555A	Misd.	3Y		Property	VII	\$500
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Unauthorized connections, etc.; tampering or interfering with meters, poles, wires, etc.	1-0215, 1-0216, 1-0217, 1-2608	27, §194	Misd.	6M		Property	VII	\$500
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Obtain service unlawfully; use counterfeit telecommunications device; possess a combination of electronic serial numbers and mobile identification numbers to facilitate telecommunication service without consent of owner.	2-1200, 2-1210, 2-1230	27, §§ 557E, 557E (b), 557E(d)	Misd.	3Y		Property	VI	\$2,500
Telecommunications and Electronics, Crimes Involving Manufacture, sell, use, etc. a code grabbing device with the intent for the code to be used in the commission of a crime	1-1470	27, §40B(b),(c)	Misd.	1Υ		Property	VII	\$1,000

Theft, Crimes Involving	2-0365	27, §80	Misd.	5Y	Property	VI
Defalcation by officer collecting						
revenue due State or county						

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Theft, Crimes Involving Misappropriation by fiduciaries, generally	1-0460, 1-2799	27, §132	Misd.	5Y	1Y	Property	V	
Theft, Crimes InvolvingFelony Theft, \$500 or greater	3-5020, 3-5040	27, §342	Felony	15Y		Property	V	\$1,000
Theft, Crimes Involving Misdemeanor Theft, less than \$500	3-5010, 3-5030	27, §342	Misd.	18M		Property	VII	\$500
Theft, Crimes InvolvingMotor vehicle-unlawful taking	2-0480	27, §342A	Felony	5Y		Property	V	\$5,000
Trespass								
TrespassTrespass on posted property	2-2210, 2-2220	27, §577	Misd.	3M		Property	VII	\$500
Unlawful Use of Goods								
Unlawful Use of GoodsFraud- abandoning or refusing to reutrn leased motor vehicle	1-0220	27, §206	Misd.	1Y		Property	VII	\$500
Unlawful Use of Goods Unauthorized use of livestock, vehicle, etc.	1-0100, 2-2411	27, §349	Misd.	4Y	6M	Property	VI	\$50-\$500
Weapons Crimes								
Carrying								
Weapons Crimes, In General Weapons-carrying or wearing concealed, dangerous or deadly weapon, etc.; concealed possession of pepper mace by a minor	1-5202, 2-5220	27, §36(a)(1),(b)	Misd.	3Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Carrying or possessing deadly weapon on school property, other than handgun	1-5203	27, §36A(a)	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$1,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Carrying dangerous or deadly weapon openly or concealed with deliberate intent to kill or injure	1-5200	27, §36(a)(2)	Misd.	3Y	3Y	Person	VI	\$1,000

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Weapons Crimes, In General Weapons-carrying dangerous or deadly weapon, etc., openly with intent to injure; openly wear and carry pepper mace by a minor	1-5200, 2-5200	27, §36(a)(1),(b)	Misd.	3Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Sale, Transfer								
Weapons Crimes, In General Sale to minor-ammunition, designed for regulated firearm (under 21); firearm, other than regulated firearm, ammunition for a firearm, pepper mace, a deadly weapon (under 18)	1-5270, 1-5280	27, §445(c)	Misd.	1Y		Person	VII	\$1,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Transfer regulated firearm-sale, trafficking	1-5295	27, §449(d)	Misd.	10Y		Person	IV	\$25,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Regulated firearm-sale without license	2-5210	27, §§443, 449(f)	Misd.	5Y		Person	VI	\$10,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Sell, rent, and transfer a regulated firearm before the expiration of seven days-Dealer, Person, Application	1-5230, 1-5240, 1-5250	27, §442(c),(d),(j)	Misd.	5Y		Person	VI	\$10,000
Weapon Crimes, In General Knife sale, etc. switchblade	1-5214	27, §339	Misd.	12M		Person	VII	\$50-\$500
Straw purchase								
Weapons Crimes-, In General Straw purchase of regulated firearm for minor	1-5290	27, §449(d)	Misd.	10Y		Person	IV	\$25,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Straw purchase of regulated firearm	1-5220	27, §§442(b), 449(d)	Misd.	10Y		Person	V	\$25,000
Use in a drug offense								
Weapons Crimes, In General Weapons-use, etc. of a weapon in a drug offense, subsequent (only for certain weapons)	1-0493	27, §281A(c)	Felony	20Y	MM* =20Y	Person	III	
Weapons Crimes, In General Weapons-use, etc., of a weapon in a drug offense, 1st offense	1-0493	27, §281A(b)	Felony	20Y	MM* =5Y	Person	III	

Offense Literal	CJIS Code	Source	Felony or Misd.	Max Term	Min Term	Offense Type	Serious -ness	Fine
Weapons Crimes, In General Weapons-use, etc. of a weapon in a drug offense, 1st offense (only for certain weapons)	1-0493	27, §281A(c)	Felony	20Y	MM* =10Y	Person	III	
Weapons Crimes, In General Weapons-use, etc. of a weapon in a drug offense, subsequent	1-0493	27, §281A(b)	Felony	20Y	MM* =10Y	Person	III	
Other								
Weapons Crimes, In General Possession of firearm, ammunition by Minor (under 21)	1-5285	27, §445(e)	Misd.	5Y		Person	VI	\$10,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Disarm Law Officer	1-1460	27, §36A-1	Felony	10Y		Person	IV	\$10,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Wear bulletproof armor in the commission of a crime	1-1450	27, §27A	Misd.	5Y		Person	V	\$5,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Possession of firearms	1-0692	27, §291A	Felony	5Y		Person	VI	\$10,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Multiple purchase30 days	1-5260	27, §§442A, 449(c)	Misd.	5Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Registered firearm: false application/purchase	1-5210	27, §449(b)	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$5,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Rifle/shotgun possession by someone suffering from a mental disorder	1-0439	27, §481D	Misd.	3Y		Person	VI	\$1,000
Weapons Crimes, In General Illegal possession of a firearm after having been convicted of a crime of violence or certain drug crimes.	2-2030	27, §449(e)	Felony	5Y	MM* =5Y	Person	V	\$10,000

Offense	CJIS	Source	Felony	Max	Min	Offense	Serious	Fine
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- * MM = Mandatory Minimum Penalty
- ** Defined as a crime of violence (Correctional Services Article, § 7-101; Article 27, § 643B) for purposes of determining eligibility for parole (Correctional Services Article, § 7-301).

#### **General Rules:**

If a Maryland offense has not been assigned a seriousness category, the individual completing the worksheet shall use the closest analogous offense and the sentencing judge and the parties shall be notified. Repealed offenses and federal offenses have been deleted from Appendix A. For Prior Record calculations involving such offenses, please follow the rules set forth below:

(a) If a Maryland offense has not been assigned a seriousness category, the individual completing the worksheet shall use the closest analogous offense and the sentencing judge and the parties shall be notified; and

b) If an offender has been convicted in another jurisdiction, the individual completing the worksheet shall match the offense as closely as possible to the closest analogous Maryland offense. If no Maryland analogous offense exists, the individual completing the worksheet shall count the offense in the lowest seriousness category (VII), and shall inform the judge and parties.

Incidents in which the State is seeking the death penalty (i.e., 27, § 413) are exclusions under the Maryland Sentencing Guidelines. There is no need to prepare a Guidelines Worksheet for these offenses.