



What's New in MAGS 14.0

October 2026

On October 1, 2026, updates were released in version 14.0 of the Maryland Automated Guidelines System (MAGS). These updates have streamlined the worksheet completion process by removing select fields from the sentencing guidelines worksheet, the majority of which are victim-related fields. The following is a summary of the changes to MAGS. In addition, the Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy (MSCCSP) suggests that users reference the MAGS User Manual, which is available on the MAGS homepage, www.msccsp.org/mags.

UPDATE #1: THE **VICTIM INFORMATION** SCREEN HAS BEEN MOVED

The **Victim Information** screen has been moved to the end of the worksheet completion process, in between the **Alternatives to Incarceration** and **Departure/Submit** screens. The four fields that appear on the Victim Information screen: “**Victim**”, “**Victim Present**”, “**Victim Impact Statement**” and “**No Contact Ordered**” can be answered by the judge or judge’s designee post-sentencing.

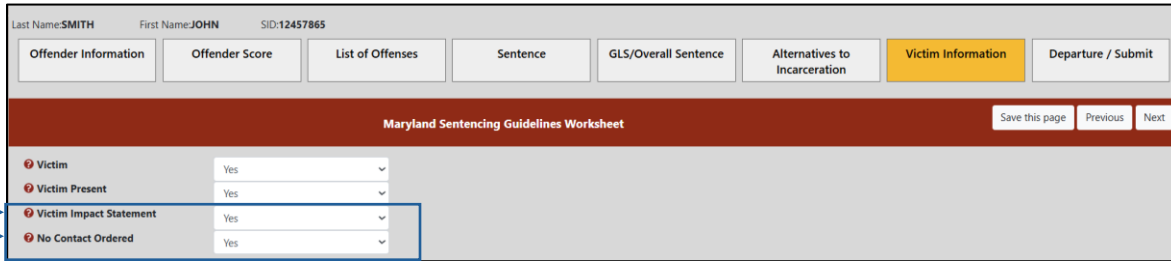
UPDATE #2: THE **VICTIM INFORMATION** SCREEN HAS BEEN REVISED

- “**Victim Participation**”, “**Victim Notification Form**”, “**Victim Notified Plea**”, “**Victim Notified Date**”, “**Written VIS**”, “**Oral VIS**” and “**No Contact Requested**” have been removed from the **Victim Information** screen. These fields were typically completed by the Office of the State’s Attorney prior to sentencing.

Old MAGS 13.0 Victim Information Screen:

- “**Victim Impact Statement**” is a new field that has been added to the **Victim Information** screen to capture whether there was a written or an oral victim impact statement (previously captured by the two fields “Written VIS” and “Oral VIS”).
- The “**No Contact Ordered**” field has been moved from the **GLS/Overall Sentence** screen to the **Victim Information** screen.

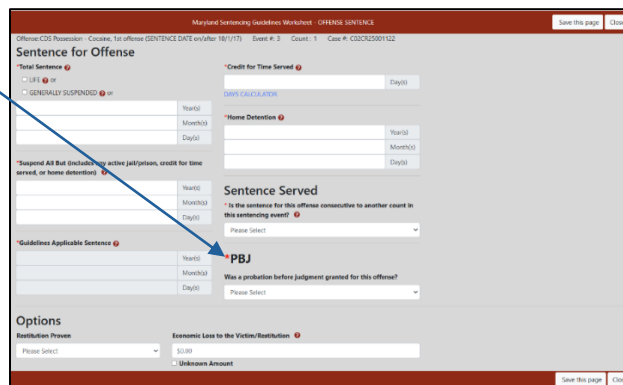
New MAGS 14.0 Victim Information Screen:



- “**Victim**”, “**Victim Present**” and “**No Contact Ordered**” are previously existing fields that are captured on the **Victim Information** screen. If any selections were made for these fields prior to the MAGS 14.0 deployment, they will continue to be reflected on the revised **Victim Information** screen in MAGS.

UPDATE #3: THE **OFFENSE SENTENCE** SCREEN HAS BEEN REVISED

- “**PBJ**” has become a required field on the Offense Sentence screen.

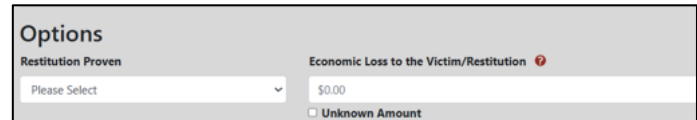


- The “**Subsequent Offender Proven**” field has been removed from the Offense Sentence screen.

Old MAGS 13.0:



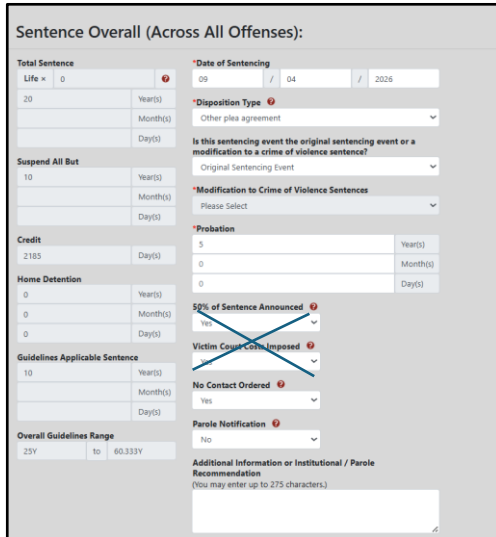
New MAGS 14.0:



UPDATE #4: THE *GLS/OVERALL SENTENCE* SCREEN HAS BEEN REVISED

The “**50% of Sentence Announced**” and “**Victim Court Costs Imposed**” fields have been removed from the GLS/Overall Sentence screen.

Old MAGS 13.0:



Sentence Overall (Across All Offenses):

Total Sentence
Life x 0
20 Year(s)
Month(s)
Day(s)

***Date of Sentencing**
09 / 04 / 2026

***Disposition Type**
Other plea agreement

Is this sentencing event the original sentencing event or a modification to a crime of violence sentence?
Original Sentencing Event

***Modification to Crime of Violence Sentences**
Please Select

***Probation**
3 Year(s)
0 Month(s)
0 Day(s)

50% of Sentence Announced
Yes

Victim Court Costs Imposed
No

No Contact Ordered
Yes

Parole Notification
No

Additional Information or Institutional / Parole Recommendation
(You may enter up to 275 characters.)

Suspend All But
10 Year(s)
Month(s)
Day(s)

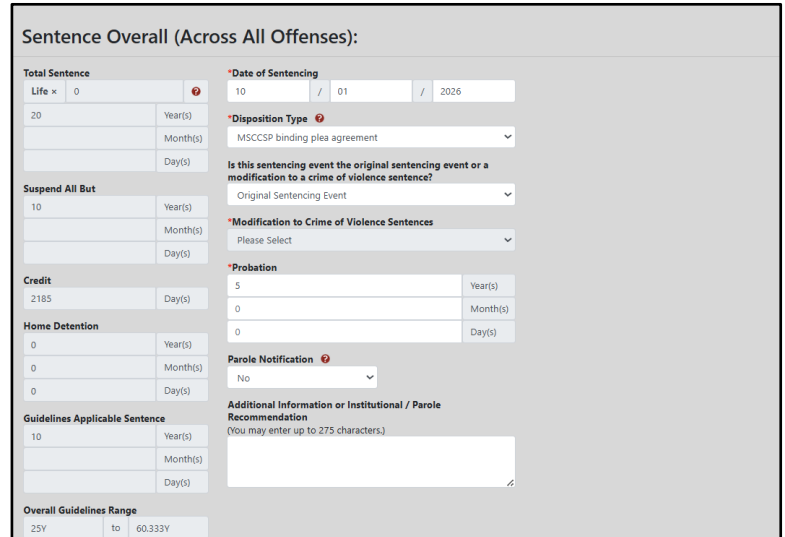
Credit
2185 Day(s)

Home Detention
0 Year(s)
0 Month(s)
0 Day(s)

Guidelines Applicable Sentence
10 Year(s)
Month(s)
Day(s)

Overall Guidelines Range
25Y to 60.333Y

New MAGS 14.0:



Sentence Overall (Across All Offenses):

Total Sentence
Life x 0
20 Year(s)
Month(s)
Day(s)

***Date of Sentencing**
10 / 01 / 2026

***Disposition Type**
MSCCSP binding plea agreement

Is this sentencing event the original sentencing event or a modification to a crime of violence sentence?
Original Sentencing Event

***Modification to Crime of Violence Sentences**
Please Select

***Probation**
5 Year(s)
0 Month(s)
0 Day(s)

Parole Notification
No

Additional Information or Institutional / Parole Recommendation
(You may enter up to 275 characters.)

Suspend All But
10 Year(s)
Month(s)
Day(s)

Credit
2185 Day(s)

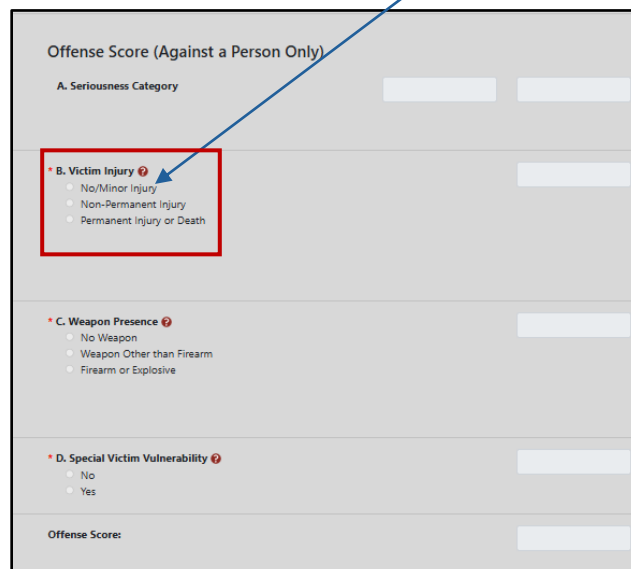
Home Detention
0 Year(s)
0 Month(s)
0 Day(s)

Guidelines Applicable Sentence
10 Year(s)
Month(s)
Day(s)

Overall Guidelines Range
25Y to 60.333Y

UPDATE #5: VICTIM INJURY CATEGORY HAS BEEN RELAELED AND SEVERAL INFORMATION ICONS HAVE BEEN UPDATED

In accordance with the guidelines-related updates that went into effect on October 1, 2026, “**no injury**” has been relabeled “**no/minor injury**” with respect to the victim injury category headings on the **Offense/Offender Score** screen, and scoring instructions in several information icons (e.g., relationship to CJS when instant offense occurred, victim injury and economic loss/restitution) have been updated.



Offense Score (Against a Person Only)

A. Seriousness Category

*** B. Victim Injury**

- No/Minor Injury
- Non-Permanent Injury
- Permanent Injury or Death

*** C. Weapon Presence**

- No Weapon
- Weapon Other than Firearm
- Firearm or Explosive

*** D. Special Victim Vulnerability**

- No
- Yes

Offense Score: