

Revisions to the Guidelines Offense Table, Effective December 1, 2017

The Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy (MSCCSP) has revised the Guidelines Offense Table to reflect:

- (1) the addition of methamphetamine as an example of a Schedule I through V non-narcotic drug with a seriousness category classification IV for distribution, PWID, and manufacture;
- (2) classification of new and amended offenses passed during the 2017 Legislative Session (summarized in the tables below); and
- (3) updates to the statutory code source for motor vehicle offenses pursuant to the recodification of these laws in SB 165, Chapter 55.

These changes were adopted in the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) **effective December 1, 2017**. A print friendly version of the updated Guidelines Offense Table (Appendix A of the Maryland Sentencing Guidelines Manual) is available on the MSCCSP website at: www.msccsp.org/Files/Guidelines/offensetable.pdf. This file is searchable by key word, CJIS Code, Source, etc. Please discard any prior versions of the Guidelines Offense Table, as information in prior versions may no longer be accurate.

New Offenses, 2017 Legislative Session

Legislation	Annotated Code of Maryland	Offense	Statutory Maximum	Adopted Seriousness Category
Chapter 569 SB 539	CR, §5-608.1	CDS and Paraphernalia Knowingly violated CR, §5-602 with a mixture of heroin and fentanyl or any analogue of fentanyl; or fentanyl or any analogue of fentanyl	10Y	IIIC

Amended Offenses with Changes to the Incarceration Penalty, 2017 Legislative Session

Legislation	Annotated Code of Maryland	Offense	Prior Stat. Max. / Seriousness Category	New Stat. Max. / Seriousness Category
Chapters 167/168 SB 229/HB 635	CR, §2-506(c)(1)	Manslaughter and Related Crimes Negligent homicide by motor vehicle or vessel while impaired by CDS, 1 st offense	3 years / VI	5 years / V
Chapters 167/168 SB 229/HB 635	CR, §2-506(c)(2)	Manslaughter and Related Crimes Negligent homicide by motor vehicle or vessel while impaired by CDS, subsequent	5 years / V	10 years / IV