

What will I have to do?

You Must:

- ✓ keep all appointments with your probation officer
- ✓ tell us if you cannot attend or travel to prison
- ✓ tell us if you change your address
- ✓ tell us if you lose your job or get a job

You must not:

- X miss an appointment or be late
- X turn up under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- X behave in a racist, sexist or offensive way

What happens if I don't turn up?

- If you do not turn up at prison you will go back to court.
- If you do not keep your appointments you will go back to prison.

Making Contact

Telephone your Intermittent Custody Centre to get more information and sort out your travel details.

Talk to the probation officer in your home area or a member of the prison staff if you are faced with a problem.

HMP Kirkham (male)

01772 675400

HMP Morton Hall (female)

01522 866700

The Prison and Probation Services will treat you fairly and do all they can to help you with your Intermittent Custody sentence.

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INTERMITTENT CUSTODY

What you need to know

What is Intermittent Custody?

Intermittent Custody is a new prison sentence.

You go to prison at weekends or during the week. In between you are on licence in the community. This means you can do a prison sentence but still keep your job or look after your family.

If you get a short prison sentence the court may give you Intermittent Custody. You have to agree. If you do not agree you will get a normal prison sentence.

Which prison will I go to?

There are two prisons where you can do this sentence. There has to be a space for you.

- If you are a man, you will go to Kirkham prison near Preston in Lancashire.
- If you are a woman, you will go to Morton Hall prison between Newark and Lincoln.

You will not be in the same building as the full-time prisoners. But Prison Rules will apply.

How will it work?

The court will tell you how long your sentence is and how many days you will be in prison.

The court will tell you whether you will serve your sentence during the week or at weekends.

- If you go to prison at weekends you will have to go there on Friday evening and go home on Sunday evening.
This counts as 3 days in prison
- If you go to prison during the week you will have to go there on Monday morning and go home on Thursday afternoon, or go there Tuesday morning and go home on Friday afternoon.
This counts as 4 days in prison.
- You are on licence when you are not in prison.

Examples

Jane got 20 weeks with 24 days in prison.

- She went to prison for 8 weekends
- She saw her probation officer during the week
- She stayed on licence until she had done 20 weeks

John got 20 weeks with 16 days in prison.

- He went to prison from Monday to Thursday for 4 weeks
- He saw his probation officer on Fridays
- He stayed on licence until he had done 20 weeks

Is there anything else I should know?

- You will get help to plan your journey to prison and the cost of your travel will be met by the Prison Service.
- Your probation officer will be able to tell you more about Intermittent Custody and to answer any questions you may have.