

Offender Certificate of Discharge

Washington State convicted offenders who desire a certificate of Discharge but who are no longer under the authority of the Department of Corrections, are to work with the sentencing court, prosecutor and county clerk to obtain the Certificate of Discharge.

Effective July 26, 2009, a Washington state convicted felony offender who has completed all of their sentence conditions is eligible for a Certificate of Discharge even if the offender has an existing no-contact order that prohibits the offender from having contact with a specific individual or business or coming within a set distance of any specified location.

If the eligible offender desires a Certificate of Discharge but has a no-contact order as part of their judgment and sentence, they must petition the sentencing Court to issue both a certificate of discharge and a separate no-contact order. A filing fee will be assessed the offender for the issuance of the separate no-contact order. The issuance of a separate no-contact order is not considered a modification of the offender's sentence.

The instructions and forms to be used by the offender to petition the court for a Certificate of Discharge can be found at the Office of the Administrator of the Courts.

Website: [http://www.courts.wa.gov/forms/index.cfm?](http://www.courts.wa.gov/forms/index.cfm?Fa+forms.contribute&formID=43)

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