

Jackson County, MO Sheriff's Office

Sex Offender Registration and Enforcement (SORE) Unit

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Missouri (RSMo) §589.400 to 589.425 when completing sex offender registration, sex offenders shall provide positive identification and documentation to substantiate the accuracy of the information completed on the offender registration form. Therefore, the Jackson County, Missouri Sheriff's Office Sex Offender Registration and Enforcement (SORE) Unit requires verifying documentation upon request or when reporting, adding, changing, and/or removing information from the sex offender registration form. In addition, full verification is required each year, during the offender's birth month registration.

To help answer some questions regarding what documentation is required and what verification is acceptable, we have put together some information below. Should you have additional questions, please feel free to contact a member of the SORE Unit.

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NOTE: Please understand that this list is not all inclusive and may change at any time without notice.

1) What Type of ID is acceptable?

- Valid Missouri ID or Driver's License – if not a MO resident, a valid ID from the state the offender resides.
- DOC, FED DOC card – initial registration only, if within thirty (30) days of release
- Passports
- Out of state ID will be accepted for initial registration only, if within thirty (30) days of release
- The name, date of birth, address will need to be correct information. The address listed will need to be the current primary residence. The ID card cannot be expired or altered. Otherwise this does not constitute as a valid ID.

2) What if an offender does not have an ID?

- LOST ID – file a police report in the appropriate jurisdiction. Then provide the report number to the SORE Unit for one appointment. On the next appointment, a valid ID must be used to register.

3) What if an offender no longer uses an email?

- Must provide verification that email has been deleted
- For example: Send an email to the "old" email, and if it bounces back saying it cannot be delivered, we will accept the returned email document.

4) Is an Offender required to register all online identifiers?

- Yes

5) What if an offender no longer uses a website or an online identifier?

- Must provide verification that website has been deleted
- This can be done with a confirmation email

- 6) What if an offender owns a domain?
- Must bring verification
 - Must list the domain name
 - Any websites associated to domain will need to be included
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- 7) Are offenders required to report any and all IP addresses used – including work?
- Yes, they also must provide authentication. One example is by using IP Chicken.
 - All IP addresses used will include any WIFI, phones, devices, wearables (smart watches).
- 8) Is an offender required to report all phone numbers **they use** – even a girlfriend, boyfriend, relative, friend, spouse, or work?
- Yes
- 9) What if an offender uses a phone someone else owns and/or pays for?
- Bring the phone bill that displays your name and registered phone number on it
- 10) What if an offender closes a phone account?
- Must have verification that the phone number is deactivated
 - Examples: an e-mail from the company or letter on letterhead stating the account is closed.
- 11) What constitutes a “current” address verification?
- Letter or document issued within the previous thirty (30) days by the state of Missouri, federal, another state or local government agency of another nation.
 - Utility Bill (Water, Gas, Electric, Trash Sewer) – Current within the last thirty (30) days
 - Mortgage Statement – Current within the last thirty (30) days
 - Lease Current within the last thirty (30) days
 - Property Tax Receipt, only if primary residence address. Address also must match ID
 - Please remember that an individual completing an affidavit on behalf of an offender must make an appointment via QLess to do so and report with valid ID and current proof of residency/ ownership and have their appointment before the offender.
 - Notarized Letters are not accepted by our office
- 12) Are offenders required to report temporary addresses?
- Yes
- 13) Are offenders required to report mailing addresses?
- Yes, all addresses where an offender receives mail must be reported.
- 14) Do offenders have to report vacations?
- Depending on the destination and length of a trip, offenders may be required by federal law to report the trip at least 21 days in advance (see also International Travel below). Therefore, please read carefully*:
 - When traveling within the United States and gone more than 7 days, the trip must be reported two weeks prior to departure.
 - The full address of each destination where the offender is staying must be reported
 - *Note: If an offender is traveling to or through another state, their statutes may require registration when coming into their State in as little as 24 hours
- 15) What if an offender is from another state temporarily residing in Missouri?
- Any offender from another state who has a temporary residence in this state and resides for

- more than 7 days in a 12-month period must register. This time must not be consecutive.
- The full address of each destination where the offender is staying must be reported.

16) International travel requirements

- Must be reported AT LEAST 21 days in advance
- Provide bring passport to SORE staff for copy to be made for DOJ
- Must provide address and itinerary of offender's travel
- The full address of each destination where the offender is staying must be reported

17) How and what to report for employment

- All employment must be reported within 3 business days of beginning a job.
- If an offender is terminated from a job or quits, they must report it within 3 business days
- Acceptable proof of employment is a letter on company letter head with a signature of supervisor/owner of company. An example would be a letter of employment/termination.
- When reporting employment with:
 - Temp agencies
 - Must list temp agency and job site addresses where the offender will be working more than 7 days in a 12-month period
 - If an offender works 3 consecutive days, they need to report that place of employment
 - Union Halls
 - Must list union hall and addresses where the offender works more than 7 days in a 12-month period
 - If they work 3 consecutive days, they need to report that place of employment
 - Self-employed contractors
 - Must report business's physical address
 - Business license
 - They do not need to report all the places they will be working at if they are "mobile contractor"

18) Do I have to report every vehicle I own or operate – including my spouse's, work's, or friend's – even if my name is not on the title?

- Yes: Every vehicle an offender owns or operates must be reported.
- Verification of the vehicle will be the registration from Missouri Department of Revenue

19) How and what to report regarding vehicles you own or operate

- Vehicle must be reported within 3 business days of purchasing/driving vehicle with or without license plates – even if it does not run or is not licensed.
- If you do not have the vehicle licensed – bring in title for verification
- When an offender receives the license plate, they must be reported within 3 business days - this includes temporary AND permanent license plates
- ANY vehicle that offender owns and/or operates (or co-signs etc.) must be reported
- All work vehicles that an offender operates must be reported
 - For example, if an offender is a mechanic, and the offender takes a vehicle OFF the property, they WILL need to be reported the offender works for a trucking/trash/UPS/bus company, etc., they will need to report ALL vehicles that they operate

- Vehicles which have been purchased by an offender must be placed on an offender's registration within 3 days of purchase regardless of if they are operated or registered the vehicle with the state within that time.

20) How to secure an appointment with the SORE unit

- There are two options to get an appointment in the SORE unit.
 - Same day service option-This is a first come first serve option that opens daily at 8:15 am. This service opens and closes throughout the day depending upon availability. If this option does not appear that means we are fully booked.
 - Scheduled appointments- This option lets an individual schedule an appointment for the same day or a future date. The system will only let an appointment be scheduled for an open time slot.
- In order to access the QLess application there are 3 options
 - First is by the QLess app which can be downloaded in the same manner as any other app on your device.
 - You also can access QLess via any internet connection via the web browser of your choice.
 - Finally for those who do not have access to the internet, the SORE Unit has provided a QLess kiosk that is open to the public. This is located in the lobby of 1315 Locust Street Kansas City, MO 64126. It is available anytime the building is open to the public.
- Please remember you must be in the QLess system under your own name to be seen by the SORE unit. We apologize for any inconvenience but we are unable to substitute appointments for different people.
- All links to QLess can be found on the Jackson County SORE unit Website or the QLess one pager information sheet.
 - *** Special note: if individuals utilize the app via an Apple device, they may experience some issues making multiple appointments. We suggest using the kiosk provided or opening the QLess program in a web browser***
 - When using same day service you will need to be in the lobby of the SORE Unit and waiting to be seen by 08:30 am. When you sign in for same day service you are saying that you are here and ready to be seen. Ignore the wait time and what number in line it may show you, as that is inaccurate.
 - The offender will need to have all verification ready when coming in for appointment.
 - If there are multiple appointments made by offender/customer in QLess and they are no longer needed please let staff know after completed registration. They will be happy to help with removing them if no longer needed/required.