



Ohio Revised Code

Section 2950.06 Periodic verification of current residence address.

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(A) An offender or delinquent child who is required to register a residence address pursuant to division (A)(2), (3), or (4) of section 2950.04 or 2950.041 of the Revised Code shall periodically verify the offender's or delinquent child's current residence address, and an offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant who is required to register a school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address pursuant to any of those divisions shall periodically verify the address of the offender's or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant's current school, institution of higher education, or place of employment, in accordance with this section. The frequency of verification shall be determined in accordance with division (B) of this section, and the manner of verification shall be determined in accordance with division (C) of this section.

(B) The frequency with which an offender or delinquent child must verify the offender's or delinquent child's current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address pursuant to division (A) of this section shall be determined as follows:

(1) Regardless of when the sexually oriented offense or child-victim oriented offense for which the offender or delinquent child is required to register was committed, if the offender or delinquent child is a tier I sex offender/child-victim offender, the offender shall verify the offender's current residence address or current school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, and the delinquent child shall verify the delinquent child's current residence address, in accordance with division (C) of this section on each anniversary of the offender's or delinquent child's initial registration date during the period the offender or delinquent child is required to register.

(2) Regardless of when the sexually oriented offense or child-victim oriented offense for which the offender or delinquent child is required to register was committed, if the offender or delinquent child is a tier II sex offender/child-victim offender, the offender shall verify the offender's current residence address or current school, institution of higher education, or place of employment



address, and the delinquent child shall verify the delinquent child's current residence address, in accordance with division (C) of this section every one hundred eighty days after the offender's or delinquent child's initial registration date during the period the offender or delinquent child is required to register.

(3) Regardless of when the sexually oriented offense or child-victim oriented offense for which the offender or delinquent child is required to register was committed, if the offender or delinquent child is a tier III sex offender/child-victim offender, the offender shall verify the offender's current residence address or current school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, and the delinquent child shall verify the delinquent child's current residence address and, if the delinquent child is a public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant, the current school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, in accordance with division (C) of this section every ninety days after the offender's or delinquent child's initial registration date during the period the offender or delinquent child is required to register.

(4) If, prior to January 1, 2008, an offender or delinquent child registered with a sheriff under a duty imposed under section 2950.04 or 2950.041 of the Revised Code as a result of a conviction of, plea of guilty to, or adjudication as a delinquent child for committing a sexually oriented offense or a child-victim oriented offense as those terms were defined in section 2950.01 of the Revised Code prior to January 1, 2008, the duty to register that is imposed on the offender or delinquent child pursuant to section 2950.04 or 2950.041 of the Revised Code on and after January 1, 2008, is a continuation of the duty imposed upon the offender prior to January 1, 2008, under section 2950.04 or 2950.041 of the Revised Code and, for purposes of divisions (B)(1), (2), and (3) of this section, the offender's initial registration date related to that offense is the date on which the offender initially registered under section 2950.04 or 2950.041 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) An offender or delinquent child who is required to verify the offender's or delinquent child's current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address pursuant to division (A) of this section shall verify the address with the sheriff with whom the offender or delinquent child most recently registered the address by personally appearing before the sheriff or a designee of the sheriff, no earlier than ten days before the date on which the verification is required pursuant to division (B) of this section and no later than the date so required for verification, and completing and signing a copy of the verification form prescribed by the bureau of criminal



identification and investigation. The sheriff or designee shall sign the completed form and indicate on the form the date on which it is so completed. The verification required under this division is complete when the offender or delinquent child personally appears before the sheriff or designee and completes and signs the form as described in this division.

(2) To facilitate the verification of an offender's or delinquent child's current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, under division (C)(1) of this section, the sheriff with whom the offender or delinquent child most recently registered the address may mail a nonforwardable verification form prescribed by the bureau of criminal identification and investigation to the offender's or delinquent child's last reported address and to the last reported address of the parents of the delinquent child, with a notice that conspicuously states that the offender or delinquent child must personally appear before the sheriff or a designee of the sheriff to complete the form and the date by which the form must be so completed. Regardless of whether a sheriff mails a form to an offender or delinquent child and that child's parents, each offender or delinquent child who is required to verify the offender's or delinquent child's current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, pursuant to division (A) of this section shall personally appear before the sheriff or a designee of the sheriff to verify the address in accordance with division (C)(1) of this section.

(D) The verification form to be used under division (C) of this section shall contain all of the following:

(1) Except as provided in division (D)(2) of this section, the current residence address of the offender or delinquent child, the name and address of the offender's or delinquent child's employer if the offender or delinquent child is employed at the time of verification or if the offender or delinquent child knows at the time of verification that the offender or delinquent child will be commencing employment with that employer subsequent to verification, the name and address of the offender's or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant's school or institution of higher education if the offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant attends one at the time of verification or if the offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant knows at the time of verification that the offender will be commencing attendance at that school or institution subsequent to verification, and any other information required by the bureau of criminal identification and investigation.



(2) Regarding an offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant who is verifying a current school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, the name and current address of the school, institution of higher education, or place of employment of the offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant and any other information required by the bureau of criminal identification and investigation.

(E) Upon an offender's or delinquent child's personal appearance and completion of a verification form under division (C) of this section, a sheriff promptly shall forward a copy of the verification form to the bureau of criminal identification and investigation in accordance with the forwarding procedures adopted by the attorney general pursuant to section 2950.13 of the Revised Code. If an offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant verifies a school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, or provides a school or institution of higher education address under division (D)(1) of this section, the sheriff also shall provide notice to the law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the premises of the school, institution of higher education, or place of employment of the offender's or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant's name and that the offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant has verified or provided that address as a place at which the offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant attends school or an institution of higher education or at which the offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant is employed. The bureau shall include all information forwarded to it under this division in the state registry of sex offenders and child-victim offenders established and maintained under section 2950.13 of the Revised Code.

(F) No person who is required to verify a current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, pursuant to divisions (A) to (C) of this section shall fail to verify a current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, in accordance with those divisions by the date required for the verification as set forth in division (B) of this section, provided that no person shall be prosecuted or subjected to a delinquent child proceeding for a violation of this division, and that no parent, guardian, or custodian of a delinquent child shall be prosecuted for a violation of section 2919.24 of the Revised Code based on the delinquent child's violation of this division, prior to the expiration of the period of time specified in division (G) of this section.



(G)(1) If an offender or delinquent child fails to verify a current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, as required by divisions (A) to (C) of this section by the date required for the verification as set forth in division (B) of this section, the sheriff with whom the offender or delinquent child is required to verify the current address, on the day following that date required for the verification, shall send a written warning to the offender or to the delinquent child and that child's parents, at the offender's or delinquent child's and that child's parents' last known residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, regarding the offender's or delinquent child's duty to verify the offender's or delinquent child's current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable.

The written warning shall do all of the following:

- (a) Identify the sheriff who sends it and the date on which it is sent;
- (b) State conspicuously that the offender or delinquent child has failed to verify the offender's or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant's current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address or the current residence address of a delinquent child who is not a public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant by the date required for the verification;
- (c) Conspicuously state that the offender or delinquent child has seven days from the date on which the warning is sent to verify the current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, with the sheriff who sent the warning;
- (d) Conspicuously state that a failure to timely verify the specified current address or addresses is a felony offense;
- (e) Conspicuously state that, if the offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant verifies the current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address or the delinquent child who is not a public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant verifies the current residence address with that sheriff within that seven-day period, the offender or delinquent child will not be prosecuted or subjected to a delinquent child proceeding for a failure to



timely verify a current address and the delinquent child's parent, guardian, or custodian will not be prosecuted based on a failure of the delinquent child to timely verify an address;

(f) Conspicuously state that, if the offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant does not verify the current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address or the delinquent child who is not a public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant does not verify the current residence address with that sheriff within that seven-day period, the offender or delinquent child will be arrested or taken into custody, as appropriate, and prosecuted or subjected to a delinquent child proceeding for a failure to timely verify a current address and the delinquent child's parent, guardian, or custodian may be prosecuted for a violation of section 2919.24 of the Revised Code based on the delinquent child's failure to timely verify a current residence address.

(2) If an offender or delinquent child fails to verify a current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, as required by divisions (A) to (C) of this section by the date required for the verification as set forth in division (B) of this section, the offender or delinquent child shall not be prosecuted or subjected to a delinquent child proceeding for a violation of division (F) of this section, and the delinquent child's parent, guardian, or custodian shall not be prosecuted for a violation of section 2919.24 of the Revised Code based on the delinquent child's failure to timely verify a current residence address and, if the delinquent child is a public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant, the current school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, unless the seven-day period subsequent to that date that the offender or delinquent child is provided under division (G)(1) of this section to verify the current address has expired and the offender or delinquent child, prior to the expiration of that seven-day period, has not verified the current address. Upon the expiration of the seven-day period that the offender or delinquent child is provided under division (G)(1) of this section to verify the current address, if the offender or delinquent child has not verified the current address, all of the following apply:

(a) The sheriff with whom the offender or delinquent child is required to verify the current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, promptly shall notify the bureau of criminal identification and investigation of the failure.



(b) The sheriff with whom the offender or delinquent child is required to verify the current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address, as applicable, the sheriff of the county in which the offender or delinquent child resides, the sheriff of the county in which is located the offender's or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant's school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address that was to be verified, or a deputy of the appropriate sheriff, shall locate the offender or delinquent child, promptly shall seek a warrant for the arrest or taking into custody, as appropriate, of the offender or delinquent child for the violation of division (F) of this section and shall arrest the offender or take the child into custody, as appropriate.

(c) The offender or delinquent child is subject to prosecution or a delinquent child proceeding for the violation of division (F) of this section, and the delinquent child's parent, guardian, or custodian may be subject to prosecution for a violation of section 2919.24 of the Revised Code based on the delinquent child's violation of that division.

(H) An offender or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant who is required to verify the offender's or public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant's current residence, school, institution of higher education, or place of employment address pursuant to divisions (A) to (C) of this section and a delinquent child who is not a public registry-qualified juvenile offender registrant who is required to verify the delinquent child's current residence address pursuant to those divisions shall do so for the period of time specified in section 2950.07 of the Revised Code.