



## Ohio Revised Code

### Section 5145.1611 Documentation upon inmate's release from prison.

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(A)(1) The department of rehabilitation and correction shall provide every inmate who is released from a term of imprisonment for a felony offense and whose intended residence is within this state with the documentation listed in division (B) of this section to assist the inmate in obtaining post-release employment.

(2) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, the department shall assist each inmate in creating a resume and conducting a practice job interview, provided that resources are available or third parties can assist with the resumes and interviews at no cost to the department. The department may contract with government or nonprofit workforce development reentry organizations to assist inmates in creating resumes and conducting practice job interviews.

(B) For purposes of assisting an inmate in obtaining post-release employment, the department shall provide each inmate with the following documentation upon the inmate's release from custody:

(1) A copy of the vocational training record of the inmate, if applicable;

(2) A copy of the work record of the inmate, if applicable;

(3) A certified copy of the birth certificate of the inmate, if obtainable;

(4) A social security card or a replacement social security card of the inmate, if the inmate has a social security number and if obtainable;

(5) An identification card or temporary identification card issued by the registrar of motor vehicles under section 4507.50 of the Revised Code, as applicable;

(6) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, a resume that includes any trade learned by the inmate and the proficiency at that trade by the inmate;



(7) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, documentation that the inmate has completed a practice job interview;

(8) A notification to the inmate if the inmate is eligible to apply for a license from a state entity charged with oversight of an occupational license or certification, if the inmate completed the requirements for eligibility for the license or certification while incarcerated at the department's facility.

(C) The following categories of inmates are not required to complete resumes or practice job interviews prior to release from incarceration:

(1) Inmates who decline to participate;

(2) Inmates sixty-five years of age or older;

(3) Inmates granted judicial release under division (N) of section 2929.20 of the Revised Code or released as if on parole under section 2967.05 of the Revised Code;

(4) Inmates released to the custody of another jurisdiction;

(5) Inmates that the department of rehabilitation and correction determines would be physically or mentally unable to return to the workforce upon release from incarceration.