# Conditional release order

## What is a conditional release order (CRO)?

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| A judge gives you this if: | |
|  | * you say you are guilty |
|  | * a court finds you guilty |
|  | * you have been sentenced to go to youth detention. |
|  | But the judge wants you to do this order first so you do **not** go to detention.  If you **cannot** finish this, you may go to detention. |
|  | You can live with your family.  You must do a program for up to 6 months. |
|  | It means a youth justice officer (or YJ officer) will supervise you. |

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| What happens? | |
|  | 1. Before you get this order, the court may get a YJ officer to write a report about you. |
|  | 1. You will meet the YJ officer.   They will talk to you more about what you can do in your program. |
|  | 1. You go back to court.   The judge will give you a conditional release order. |
| The program may have activities about | |
|  | * school or TAFE |
|  | * getting a job |
|  | * good things you want to do in your life |
|  | * how you can stop offending in a positive way. |

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| Rules | |
| You must: | |
|  | * do all the activities in your CRO |
|  | * **not** break the law |
|  | * do what your YJ officer says |
|  | * let your YJ officer visit you. |
| You must tell your YJ officer within 2 days if you: | |
|  | * move house |
|  | * change schools |
|  | * change jobs. |
| You must tell and give lots of time to the YJ officer if you: | |
|  | * want to leave Queensland. |
|  | Your YJ officer needs to say ‘yes’. |
| Court can give you extra things for you to do on your order.  Extra things like: | |
|  | * help to get off drugs and alcohol |
|  | * mental health help. |
| What if I break the rules? | |
|  | Your YJ officer will tell you what happens if you break the rules. |
|  | If you break a rule, your YJ officer will give you a warning letter. |
|  | If you keep breaking the rules, you will go back to court.  The court will decide if you will go to detention or not. |
|  | You must stay out of trouble, |
|  | If you do another offence, the court may decide you have breached your order. |
|  | This means the court gave you rules but you did **not** follow the rules.  The court may give you more punishment. |
|  | Talk to your YJ officer to know more. |

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| My order | |
|  | How long is the order (in months) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | My 1st meeting with my YJ officer is: |
|  | Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | Time \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Who do I talk to in YJ? | |
|  | **Ask for the intake officer**.  You must call them **1 day** after court. |
|  | Where \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | Email \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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