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This correspondence is in response to the letter received October 11, 2019 requesting the following questions be answered.

- 1) How many days (or) hours must a registrant be present in Virginia in order to trigger a requirement to register? Please see 9.1-905 of the Code of Virginia for the timeframes requiring registration. <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title9.1/chapter9/section9.1-905/>
- 2) Will a registrant temporarily visiting Virginia be added to your state's public registry (ie. your Megan's Law website)? All individuals required to register in Virginia are visible on the public website.
- 3) When a registrant temporarily visiting your state leaves, will they be removed from your registry or will they continue to be listed as a registrant in Virginia? Upon confirmation of registration and or return in another state the individual will be removed from Virginia's registry.
- 4) Will a registrant temporarily visiting Virginia be subject to any sex offender residency restrictions (SORRs) during their visit? If yes, who can they contact to ensure the compliance of where they will be temporarily staying? Residency restrictions apply all individuals that are classified as sexually violent offenders. The proximity codes are 18.2-370.2 through 18.2-370.5 can be found on the Code of Virginia <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title18.2/chapter8/section18.2-370.2/> They can also be viewed on the Virginia State Police website <https://sex-offender.vsp.virginia.gov/sor/>
- 5) How long is registration required? If Virginia has different durations based on tiers, how can a registrant temporarily visiting Virginia ascertain which tier they fall under? Currently Virginia does not have a tiered classification system; individuals are classified as sexual and sexually violent. Sexual is a 15 year minimum registration with some convictions requiring a minimum of 25 year registration requirement. Sexually Violent individuals are lifetime requirement. <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title9.1/chapter9/section9.1-910/>
- 6) Where must a registrant temporarily visiting Virginia go in order to register (if required to do so)? If locations differ by city/county, where can one find a directory of those
- 7) locations? Any law enforcement agency in the jurisdiction they are visiting can complete the registration form.



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- 8) What information must a registrant temporarily visiting Virginia bring with them or furnish during the registration process? If the individual is in Virginia for employment or school, proof of temporary employment and or enrollment is required as well as government issued photo identification issued by the person's state of residency. Registration must be completed within three days of entering Virginia.
- 9) Approximately how long can a registrant temporarily visiting Virginia expect the registration process to take from the time they arrive at the location, including waiting time? Initial registration can take up to 45 minutes to complete the registration form, photograph and prints.
- 10) Is there a fee assessed to a registrant temporarily visiting Virginia when they register? There are no fees associated with registering or re-registering with the  
Currently there are no fees assessed with the Virginia Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry.
- 11) Where can a registrant temporarily visiting your state find the Virginia registration statute or a summary of the registration requirements? Who can they contact with additional questions? Information can be found on the Virginia State Police website <https://sex-offender.vsp.virginia.gov/sor/> The SOR Helpdesk can be reached Monday through Friday 8:15am-4:45pm at 804-674-2825 to answer further questions.  
The Code of Virginia 9.1-900 through 9.1-923 governs the Virginia Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry. <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title9.1/chapter9/section9.1-900/>

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry Help Desk at (804) 674-2825.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. M. Rader'.

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