

Ala. Code 1975, § 15-20A-12(a)

Failing to Report as Homeless Sex Offender
(Adult)

The defendant is charged with failing to report as a homeless adult sex offender.

A person commits the crime of failing to report as a homeless adult sex offender if he/she is an adult sex offender, no longer has a fixed residence, and fails to appear in person and report this change in fixed residence to local law enforcement where he/she is located immediately upon this change in fixed residence.

To convict, the State must prove beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

- (1) The defendant was an adult sex offender;
- (2) The defendant no longer had a fixed residence;
- (3) The defendant failed to appear in person and report this change in fixed residence to local law enforcement where he/she was located immediately upon this change in fixed residence; **(AND)**
- (4) The defendant did so knowingly.

An *adult sex offender* is a person convicted of a sex offense. [15-20A-4(1)]

A *sex offense* includes any of the following offenses: **[Insert all appropriate from 15-20A-5]**.

A *conviction* is a verdict or finding of guilt as the result of a trial, a plea of guilty, a plea of nolo contendere, or an *Alford* plea regardless of whether adjudication was withheld. Conviction includes, but is not limited to, a conviction in a United States territory, a conviction in a federal or military tribunal, including a court martial conducted by the Armed Forces of the United States, a conviction for an offense committed on an Indian reservation or other federal property, a conviction in any state of the United States or a conviction in a foreign country if the foreign country's judicial system is such that it satisfies minimum due process set forth in the guidelines under Section 111(5)(B) of Public Law 109-248. Cases on appeal are deemed convictions until reversed or overturned. [15-20A-4(4)]

A *fixed residence* is a building or structure, having a physical address or street number, that adequately provides shelter at which a person resides. [15-20A-4(6)]

Local law enforcement is the sheriff of the county and the chief of police if the location subject to registration is within the corporate limits of any municipality. [15-20A-4(13)]

Immediately is within three business days. [15-20A-4(10)]

A person acts *knowingly* with respect to conduct or to a circumstance described by a statute defining an offense he/she is aware that his/her conduct is of that nature or that the circumstance exists. [13A-2-2(2)]

If you find from the evidence that the State has proved beyond a reasonable doubt each of the elements of the offense, then you shall find the defendant guilty of this offense.

If you find that the State has failed to prove beyond a reasonable doubt any one or more of the elements of the offense, then you cannot find the defendant guilty of this offense.

Use Notes

See 15-20A-35 for treatment of youthful offender.

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