



New rehabilitation periods

From 28th October 2023

		Adult (18+) at conviction / disposal	Young person at conviction / disposal
Sentence		Time it takes to become spent	
Prison including suspended prison sentences	Public protection sentence	Never spent **	Never spent **
	More than 4 years	Full sentence + 7 years *	Full sentence + 3.5 years *
	More than 12 months and less than or equal to 4 years	Full sentence + 4 years	Full sentence + 2 years
	Less than or equal to 12 months	Full sentence + 1 year	Full sentence + 6 months
Community order / youth rehabilitation order		At the end of the order	

* Depending on offence type. Some offences remain excluded from rehabilitation.

** Unless conditions are removed.

	Adult (18+) at conviction / disposal	Young person at conviction / disposal
Sentence / disposal	Time it takes to become spent	
Fine	1 year	6 months
Conditional discharge	Length of the order	
Absolute discharge	Spent immediately	
Conditional caution / youth caution	3 months or when it ends if earlier	3 months
Simple caution / youth caution	Spent immediately	
Compensation order	Once paid in full	
Bind over	Length of the order	
Hospital order with or without restrictions	Length of the order	
Reparation order	Length of the order	
Referral order	Spent immediately	
Endorsement imposed by a court	5 years	2.5 years
Court-imposed motoring disqualification	Length of disqualification	
Relevant order	Length of the order	



Excluded offences

Set out in Schedule 18 of the [Sentencing Act 2020](#).

- Murder
- Manslaughter
- Kidnapping
- False imprisonment
- Some violent offences including ABH, GBH
- Some theft offences including robbery, aggravated burglary
- Most sexual offences including rape, sexual assault, indecent assault
- Terrorism offences