

MALHEUR COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
S.A.F.E. COURT PROGRAM
Malheur County Courthouse
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**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
HOME VISITS**

Before your first home visit, you need to eliminate items from your home that could cause you to receive a violation, or, a new criminal charge. It is also extremely important for your success at treatment that you identify and eliminate “triggers” or “cues” for substance abuse.

1. Paraphernalia, controlled substances, any items that may have drug residue, needles, and any other items you used to ingest or store your drugs should be gathered together in a cardboard box and given to your probation officer at your intake with your probation officer after S.A.F.E. Court. You will not be prosecuted for possession of these items, and they will be destroyed in a safe and legal manner. If you do not wish to wait until your intake, you may also call any police agency and they will come to your home and take these items away. Show the officer this notice if he or she doesn't understand why you called.

2. Alcohol, empty beer cans or bottles, special glassware such as shot glasses or cocktail shakers and the like also need to be removed from your home. These items need to go in the trash or be given away to someone else, permanently. If you used cough or cold medicine, cooking products, vanilla, glue, fingernail polish remover, markers, paint or any other common household items to get high, those items need to be thrown away. You know what you've used in the past. Save yourself trouble later by getting rid of it now.

3. Guns and other weapons. Prior to your first home visits, any guns, firearms, explosives, knives other than for cooking, bows and arrows, blowguns and other weapons need to be removed from your home and stored elsewhere. This includes decorations made with weapons such as samari swords, and all ammunition. If you need help with this task, talk to your attorney.

4. Pets. Your probation officer will direct you to get rid of any pets which pose a threat to persons making home visits. Dogs need to be contained in a pen, securely fenced area, kennel

or other secure area where there is no possibility of attack. There are no exceptions to this rule.

Your dog may be very friendly and gentle, but any dog will probably react to your arrest by becoming protective and defensive. If you kept a dog as a part of your drug activity, and intentionally trained the animal as an attack dog, your probation officer will in all probability order you to get rid of the animal. Remember also that repeated dog complaints from your neighbors and the police are something you need to avoid. Part of being in S.A.F.E. Court involves being a responsible citizen, and that includes controlling your animals and avoiding financial obligations from fines and fees.

Don't save and store reminders of your addiction. Years later, the sight of these items can trigger a relapse.

I HAVE READ THIS NOTICE AND AGREE TO THE TERMS SET FORTH HEREIN.

Date: _____ Participant _____