

441.127 Service credits for work in community service program or within jail, for receipt of GED or high school diploma, for participation in drug treatment program, for exceptionally meritorious service, or for good behavior -- Withdrawal of earned credits for misconduct.

- (1) The jailer or correctional services department shall grant sentence credits to inmates confined in the county jail on conviction of misdemeanor charges.
- (2) Credit, if granted, shall be uniform and shall be based on the following:
 - (a) For labor performed without the jail in a community service program or within the jail for the maintenance of the jail or for the operation of jail services such as food service:
 1. For every eight (8) full hours of work, one (1) sentence credit shall be earned; and
 2. For every five (5) of sentence credits earned, one (1) day of the sentence to be served by the inmate shall be deducted;
 - (b) For successfully receiving a general equivalency diploma or a high school diploma, a service credit of ninety (90) days shall be earned;
 - (c) For each day an inmate participates in a drug treatment program or other evidence-based program approved by the department, a service credit of one (1) day shall be earned;
 - (d) For performing exceptionally meritorious service, performing duties of outstanding importance in connection with the jail's operations and programs, or performing acts of exceptional service during times of emergency, an amount not to exceed seven (7) days per act shall be earned, to be determined by the jailer or chief executive of the jail for the conduct of the inmate; and
 - (e) For good behavior, an amount not to exceed ten (10) days shall be earned for each month served, to be determined by the jailer or chief executive of the jail for the conduct of the inmate.
- (3) Sentence credits shall be deducted from the maximum expiration date of the sentence.
- (4) If an inmate violates the rules of the jail or engages in other misconduct the jailer or correctional services department may withdraw sentence credits earned by the inmate. The jailer or correctional services department shall maintain a list of offenses and penalties for the ten (10) most common offenses and rule violations.

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