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PURPOSE

The Vermont Department of Corrections (DOC) has a statutory requirement to collect a DNA sample from offenders convicted of certain designated crimes. The purpose of this policy is to provide DOC staff with direction on which offenders are required to have a DNA sample taken, as well as the proper method of DNA collection.

PHILOSOPHY

It is the philosophy of the DOC that proper and accurate DNA sample collection is essential to aid the Department of Public Safety in maintaining an accurate State data bank, which stores collected DNA samples, and a State Database, which catalogs records derived from DNA samples taken.

AUTHORITY

20 V.S.A. §§ 1931, 1933, 1934, and 1935.

REFERENCE

20 V.S.A. §§ 1932, and 1938; 13 V.S.A. § 1042; 13 V.S.A. chapter 167, subchapter 3; 13 V.S.A. § 1062; 13 V.S.A. § 1025; 13 V.S.A. §1030; 15 V.S.A. § 1104; 33 V.S.A. § 6936; 13 V.S.A. chapter 28.

POLICY

When collecting a DNA sample from a qualifying offender, the DOC shall comply with all statutory requirements. The DOC shall collect DNA samples from offenders convicted of designated crimes, as defined in statute, and shall use the least intrusive means available when collecting the sample. The DOC shall provide all samples taken to the Department of Public Safety.