

# PAROLE PROCESS FOR SERIOUS OFFENDERS

The Parole Authority considers a broad range of material about a Serious Offender including reports by the Serious Offenders Review Council and Community Corrections

**Material always available:**

- Judges remarks on sentencing
- Criminal History
- CSNSW Pre-Release Report
- Report from Serious Offenders Review Council (SORC)

**Additional material may be provided:**

- Reports from offender / legal representative
- Victim Submission/s
- Expert reports such as Psychological, AOD

**Initial Parole Consideration – must be held between 60 and 21 days from an offender’s eligibility date**

**Matter stood over if SPA seek:**

- \* Updated reports from Community Corrections or SORC
- \* Further psychiatric reports
- \* Any Victim Submission
- \* Any State Submission

**Intention to Grant Parole**

- \* Proposed reasons and conditions
- \* Review hearing scheduled

**Intention to Refuse Parole**

- \* Reasons provided
- \* Review hearing may be scheduled

**Review hearing granted**

**Review hearing not granted - Parole refused**

Date set for next consideration in 1, 2 or 3 years

**Public review hearing at Court**

- \* Offender appears by AVL
- \* State of NSW may be represented by Crown Solicitor
- \* Victims may provide verbal submission in Court

**Parole granted**

Conditions set and reasons given

Release date usually two weeks later

**Parole refused**

Reasons given

Date set for consideration in 1, 2 or 3 years

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