



**LOUISIANA  
BOARD OF PARDONS & PAROLE**

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**BOARD POLICY**

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**SUBJECT:** PAROLE PLAN

**PURPOSE:** To ensure that the board's assessment of an offender extends beyond the offender's conduct while incarcerated to include consideration of how the offender will likely conduct himself in the community upon release.

**AUTHORITY:** LAC Title XI, Title 22, Chapter 7; La. R.S. 15:574.2

**POLICY:**  
In order for an offender to be considered for parole release, the offender must have a viable transition plan that includes housing, potential job opportunities, and a support network that can incorporate family, friends, church, and rehabilitative programs. The plans for housing and employment will be investigated and approved by the Division of Probation and Parole.

**PROCEDURES:**

**A. In-State Parole**

1. The board will not issue a Certificate of Parole to anyone granted parole until the residence plan has been approved by the Division of Probation and Parole. The board has authority to waive employment plans for a specified amount of time. These plans should be given to the classification officer at the correctional facility at the pre-parole interview or mailed directly to the board four months prior to the parole eligibility date.
2. A parole hearing may be held as docketed without approved residence or employment plans. Parole may be granted at the hearing, subject to the plans being approved through the Division of Probation and Parole. Approved employment plans may enhance the possibility for a favorable parole decision.

**B. Out-of-State Parole**

1. Before any parolee can be considered for a plan of supervision in another state, the offender shall sign an Application for Interstate Compact Services Agreement to Return (waiver of extradition).

2. Out-of-state parole plans may be considered when the state in question issues a written statement expressing its willingness to accept the parolee under specific residential and employment conditions. Release will be deferred until such approval is received by the board.
3. The parolee shall be required to comply with all applicable provisions of the Interstate Compact, and shall be required to acknowledge, in writing, that he or she is fully aware of the requirements of transfer under the Compact.



**SHERYL M. RANATZA, CHAIRMAN**

*This policy supersedes and replaces Board Policy 07-707, dated August 1, 2012.*