

Informed Consent and Release for Polygraph Examination¹
Maintenance/Monitoring Polygraph

- You are required by law to participate in polygraph examinations as part of the Containment Model sex offender management program per penal code 290.09 and 1203.067. If you need time to consult with an attorney or public defender before going forward with this examination, you can request up to a two-week postponement for that purpose.
- The purpose of this exam is to ensure that you are following treatment provider agency and supervision requirements.
- Polygraph examinations are part of the Containment Model and are not intended for use as an investigative tool for future criminal proceedings but rather should be used to assess risk for purposes of treatment and supervision.
- The law in most instances limits the use of any statement made in direct response to a question to the offender's participation in the sex offender management program. However, a statement revealing a new offense that occurred during the current supervision period may result in revocation or modification of terms and conditions.
- If you volunteer details, outside of the scope of the polygraph examination, about any other offense which results in identification of victims, that information may lead to a subsequent criminal prosecution or probation/parole revocation proceedings.
- The report on the results of this polygraph exam will be distributed to the treatment provider and made available to the supervising probation officer or parole agent on your case. Additional distribution is also possible.
- If you volunteer to identify information about offenses against minor or elder victims, that information will be reported to Child or Adult Protective Services.²
- I understand that the pre-examination interview, polygraph examination and post-examination interview will be electronically recorded. A copy of the recorded examination might be reviewed by members of the containment team.
- I fully understand the contents of this consent and release. I understand and acknowledge that all the matters outlined above have been fully explained to me and I fully understand every paragraph. I understand that by signing this agreement, I am acknowledging this agreement and its terms, consenting to the polygraph examination, and releasing the polygraph examiner and treatment provider from any liability that may arise from my examination.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

¹ CASOMB recommends that polygraph examiners include informed consent and release advisements like those above before conducting a polygraph examination. Examiners may use additional or modified advisements according to company policy and based on legal advice. This is not intended to cover every possibility that may occur, nor is it an exhaustive list. These advisements may also be used in a monitoring polygraph examination dealing with a specific issue involving sexual recidivism.

² This advisement is required even though the polygraph examiner is not a mandated reporter, because the report must be distributed to the treatment provider and probation or parole officer, who are mandated reporters. If there is a concern, based on legal advice, that Penal Code section 11167 may require a report to Child or Adult Protective Services even if no identifying information about a victim is revealed, then this advisement can be modified accordingly.