



Piedmont Regional Jail Authority

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Superintendent 2026-13

Date: July 13, 2026

To: All Staff

From: Superintendent

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Subject: Implementation of Offender Release Hours

Effective July 13, 2026, Piedmont Regional Jail Authority will implement new offender release hours.

Offenders will not be released from the facility between the hours of 2200hrs and 0800hrs, regardless of the reason for release. This includes:

1. Court-ordered releases
2. Bond or bail releases
3. Time served
4. Sentence completions

This new time period also applies to offenders who are arrested on DUI, DIP, and DWI charges. New arrestees with these charges must be detained for at least **(8) hours**. Before placing the new arrestee in front of the magistrate he/she must be tested with an intoximeter reading **.07 or below**. If the intoximeter reads **.08 or above** he/she will not be released at that time of how long he/she has been detained. A ***Breathe Alcohol Test Form*** shall be completed also.

There will be no exception to this unless it is authorized by the Superintendent or designee. This change has been implemented to enhance the safety and security of the facility, staff, offenders, and the public. It allows time for staff to verify release documentation, warrants, and other court documentation to reduce release errors. Offenders will also have more resources available during daylight hours if issues such as housing, transportation, or any other community services are needed.

We appreciate the cooperation and understanding as we implement this operation change, however, if you have any questions, you can forward them to the facility's Administration Authority.

Note: This memorandum supersedes Memo # 2024-31

CC: Bondsman
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