

Safer communities and fewer victims  
through offender rehabilitation



An tSeirbhís Phromhaidh  
The Probation Service

# COMMUNITY RETURN

Structured temporary release of prisoners with a requirement to do community service work

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WHAT IS...

## COMMUNITY RETURN

Community Return is a joint initiative between the Irish Prison Service and the Probation Service and is

## WHAT DOES COMMUNITY RETURN AIM TO ACHIEVE?

The aim of Community return is to ....

# WHO IS IT FOR?

Prisoners who

WHAT DOES

## WHAT DOES COMMUNITY RETURN INVOLVE?

Community Return  
requires offenders to at-  
tend

## THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK

The Community Service  
Act...provides the  
framework under which an  
offender may be

## WHAT DOES IT OFFER TO THE COMMUNITY?

Community Return and  
Community Service offer  
the ...

# HOW DOES IT WORK?

DID YOU KNOW...

A recent evaluation of Community Return showed that there was a 90% compliance rate and that

## **WITHIN THE IRISH PRISON SERVICE**

Where a prisoner has demonstrated

## **WITHIN THE PROBATION SERVICE**

Prisoners coming out on

## AND FINALLY ...

### WHAT DO PARTICIPANTS SAY?

Community Return offered them a structure into which to...

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