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Applying for Supreme Court Bail from prison

If you would like to apply for Supreme Court bail (**SC bail**) but you do not have representation, it is possible for you to file a bail application yourself. The information below outlines how to file a SC bail application in the court.

PLS is unable to provide advice or assistance with making bail applications as we do not practice in criminal law. PLS is also unable to file bail applications for self-represented prisoners.

What do you need to apply for SC bail by post?

If you want to apply for bail yourself, you will need to complete and post the following forms and documents:

- Form 2 bail application (x1 original; x2 copies)
- Form 11 affidavit (x1 original; x2 copies)
- Form 12 draft order (x1 original; x2 copies)

How do I get the SC bail application forms?

You can try to get the bail application forms by asking:

- Your Unit Supervisor;
- Sentence Management; or
- Legal Aid.

If I'm applying for SC bail in Cairns, how do I send the application?

You can send your SC bail application by post to:

Supreme Court of Queensland – Cairns Registry
PO Box 1110
Cairns 4870 QLD

Sentence management may also be able to email your application on your behalf to: cairns.hcregistry@justice.qld.gov.au

If I'm applying for SC bail in Townsville, how do I send the application?

You can send your SC bail application by post to:

Supreme Court of Queensland – Townsville Registry
PO Box 1032
Townsville QLD 4810

You must enclose a pre-paid envelope addressed to the DPP:

Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions
PO Box 989
Townsville QLD 4810

If you want to receive a copy of your application back, you must enclose a second pre-paid envelope addressed to yourself.

If I'm applying for SC bail in Rockhampton, how do I send the application?

You can send your SC bail application by post to:

Supreme Court of Queensland – Rockhampton Registry
PO Box 300
Rockhampton 4700 QLD

If you want to receive a copy of your application back, you must enclose a pre-paid envelope addressed to yourself.

If I'm applying for SC bail in Brisbane, how do I send the application?

You can send your SC bail application by post to:

QEII Courts of Law Complex
PO Box 15167
City East Qld 4002

Sentence Management may also be able to email your form on your behalf to: ccu@justice.qld.gov.au.

Where can I get assistance with bail?

There are now very limited services in Queensland that can provide advice or representation for SC bail applications. Before you apply yourself, we suggest you seek advice from either the lawyer representing you on your charges or Legal Aid Queensland. You can call Legal Aid for free using the Arunta Telephone System.

If you are in a women's prison, you may be able to receive assistance from Sisters Inside through their Bail Support Program. You can refer yourself to this service by calling Sisters Inside from the Arunta Telephone System.

PLS Christmas Closure

PLS will be closed for two weeks from close of business on 23 December 2022 and will re-open on 9 January 2022.

Our prison advice line will be closed from 14 December 2022 and will begin running again on Thursday 12 January 2023. Our community call-back clinic will be closed from 20 December 2022 and will recommence on 9 January 2022.

This broadsheet is intended to provide legal information only and is no substitute for legal advice. If you wish to take any action arising from matters raised in this publication you should consult a lawyer immediately.