

(3) THE PAROLE COMMISSION SHALL REVIEW A MARYLAND SENTENCING GUIDELINES WORKSHEET TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF TITLE 7 OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES ARTICLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsection (a) of this section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 41, § 21-106(c)(2) and (3) and, as it related to guidelines considered by the circuit court, (a).

Subsection (b) of this section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 643C(b).

Subsection (c) of this section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 643C(c).

In subsection (c)(1) of this section, the reference to a "unit" is substituted for the former reference to an "agency" to conform to the terminology used throughout this article.

Former Art. 27, § 643C(a), which prohibited provisions in Article 27 or certain provisions in the Correctional Services Article from being construed to prohibit the use of judicial guidelines in setting sentences, is deleted as unnecessary in light of subsection (a) of this section, which requires circuit courts to consider guidelines when imposing sentences.

6-217. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MINIMUM CONFINEMENT FOR VIOLENT CRIME.

(A) ANNOUNCEMENT REQUIRED IN OPEN COURT.

WHEN A SENTENCE OF CONFINEMENT THAT IS TO BE SERVED IS IMPOSED FOR A VIOLENT CRIME FOR WHICH A DEFENDANT WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR PAROLE UNDER § 7-301(C) OR (D) OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES ARTICLE, THE COURT SHALL STATE IN OPEN COURT THE MINIMUM TIME THE DEFENDANT MUST SERVE BEFORE BECOMING ELIGIBLE FOR PAROLE.

(B) STATEMENT FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

THE STATEMENT REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY AND IS NOT A PART OF THE SENTENCE.

(C) FAILURE TO COMPLY.

THE FAILURE OF A COURT TO COMPLY WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT AFFECT THE LEGALITY OR EFFICACY OF THE SENTENCE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 640.

In subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to "a violent crime as defined in § 7-101 of the Correctional Services Article" is deleted as implied in the reference to a violent crime "for which a defendant will be eligible for parole under § 7-301(c) or (d) of the Correctional Services Article".