

Knife Crime GPS Tagging on licence programme – Suitability checklist

This form is used to confirm the eligibility for the MOPAC (Buddi) GPS tagging for knife crime programme. When deciding on licence conditions, please remember that all licence conditions should be necessary and proportionate to the assessed risk in each case. GPS monitoring should also be tailored to the individual.

If you have any questions or queries on individual cases or need advice on these decisions, please contact londonPS.buddigps@justice.gov.uk

Essential criteria for the offender:			
Aged 18+		Tag fitting date is between Feb 2019 – 31/03/2026	
Serving a standard determinate sentence for either a knife possession offence or another offence which involved the use of a knife or bladed object			
Being released to a London borough			
Being released from a pilot prison ¹			
Being released to some type of viable accommodation (to enable tag charging)			

Under which licence condition will you propose GPS monitoring:			
Attend drug assessment		Reporting to Approved Premises or Police station	
Attend drug test		Exclusion from area/zone or address	
To comply with any requirements to ensure that you address your alcohol/drug/violent/anger offending behaviour problems at [COURSE / CENTRE].			
Trail monitoring (heat maps, interest and inclusion zones, monitoring of doorstep curfews, data on request)			

Next steps for suitable cases

- Use the Create and Vary Licence (CVL) process to propose GPS using approved GPS licence condition wording.
- Contact Buddi to arrange tagging (use Buddi tag notification form).
- Copy in londonPS.buddigps@justice.gov.uk to ensure arrangements are confirmed.
- Inform the offender as soon as the referral has been accepted that they will be subject to GPS on licence – do this by sharing the “Wearer Introduction” document – either in a pre-release meeting/contact or via the OMU.

¹ Eligible releasing prisons - Belmarsh, Brixton, Bronzefield, Coldingley, Downview, Feltham, High Down, Highpoint, Isis, Onley, Pentonville, Send, Thameside, Wandsworth, Wormwood Scrubs