

Spent Convictions

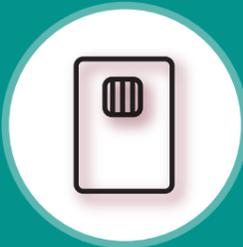
Convictions that can be 'removed' from your criminal record in Ireland.

Having a criminal record can be big obstacle when it comes to work, education, insurance, travel and even volunteering. However, some convictions are no longer disclosed on your record after a certain period of time.

Offences covered:

No limit		Minor motoring offences
		Public order offences
Limit		Other eligible offences x 1 (if you have 2 or more of these, none can become spent)

Sanctions covered:

	Fines		Community service orders
	Probation orders		Prison sentences up to 12 months
	Suspended sentences up to 24 months (not revoked)		

Conditions to be met:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 	7 years must have passed since the conviction was received	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 	The conviction must have been received in the District Court or Circuit Court	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 	Convictions for certain offences, such as sexual offences, can NEVER become spent
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You may still be required to disclose these convictions if you are applying for citizenship, certain areas of work, for emigration reasons, etc. Different conditions apply for Garda Vetting.

THE SMALL PRINT:

This information is general guidance and not legal advice. It applies to offences committed when a person was aged 18 or over. Different rules apply to offences committed when a person is aged 17 or under.

A number of other exclusions and exceptions apply - so it is important to check whether your convictions are eligible to become spent under the relevant laws:

- Criminal Justice (Spent Convictions and Certain Disclosures) Act 2016
- National Vetting Bureau (Children and Vulnerable Persons) Act 2012
- Children Act 2001 (Section 258)



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