

Top 10 Questions Asked at...

GEO Chester

1. What can I bring?

You are permitted to personal clothing and personal electronic devices. Clothing is limited to five sets of clothing, three pairs of shoes, one pair of shower shoes, a coat, pajamas, undergarments and hygiene products. Hygiene products must be free of alcohol and cannot be in glass containers. Only one cell phone and laptop/tablet is permitted.

2. Will I be able to go out on a pass when I arrive?

After you complete your initial intake and meet with your parole agent, you will be allowed a brief pass to secure personal belongings.

3. When are visiting hours?

Visiting hours are Tuesdays from 6 to 9 pm and Saturdays from 1 to 4 pm.

4. When can I begin job searching?

Reentrants are allowed to start job searching after they complete the intake process and meet with their parole agent. However, before you begin your job search, you will need to have proper identification (drivers or non-drivers ID, Social Security card and birth certificate).

5. Are there any social passes?

All passes are granted in collaboration with parole supervision staff. Social passes are usually based on your progression through the phase system.

6. Can my family drop things off for me?

Yes. You are allowed to receive items from family and friends your first 72 hours after arrival. Thereafter, drop offs are allowed on Tuesday from 7-8 pm and Saturday from 1-2pm. If these dates and times are not convenient for your family and friends, you may request a special drop off through your case manager.

7. When can I get released?

To be successfully discharged, you will need to submit a home plan. That home plan must be approved by a parole agent and you must be in compliance with all board actions before you are released.

8. Can I bring in my own food?

Reentrants are NOT allowed to bring in food from the outside. The facility provides three meals per day and on occasion reentrants are allowed to order out.

9. Can I receive food stamps while residing in the facility?

No. GEO Chester provides three meals per day. Provisions are made for reentrants that leave the facility before breakfast and return after dinner. Bag lunches are also available for reentrants to take with them during the day.

10. Do you provide money for transportation?

No we do not provide any funds for transportation.