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INVITATION TO COMMENT

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Title

Juvenile Law: Probation Time Limits

Action Requested

Review and submit comments by May 18, 2026, invitations@jud.ca.gov

Proposed Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes

Revise forms JV-624, JV-625, and JV-665

Proposed Effective Date

January 1, 2027

Proposed by

Family and Juvenile Law Advisory
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Executive Summary and Origin

To comply with new requirements for time limits on juvenile probation under Assembly Bill 1376 (Bonta; Stats. 2025, ch. 575), the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee proposes revisions to three Judicial Council forms, effective January 1, 2027.

Background

Juvenile courts have several dispositional outcomes available, including diversion, electronic monitoring, probation, and placement in foster care or detention facilities for a violation of law by a child or youth.

Unlike adult probation, juvenile probation does not have a statutory cap, nor does it typically require periodic review.¹ Adult probation is generally limited to one year for misdemeanors and

¹ Section 727.2(c) requires the status of every child or youth declared a ward and ordered to be placed in foster care to be reviewed by the court no less frequently than once every six months.

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two years for felonies, except as specified in statute.² Juvenile probation, however, can last as long as the juvenile court has jurisdiction over the ward.³

AB 1376 added section 602.05 and limits the time period a court may place a ward ordered placed in the home of a parent to 12 months, except that a court may extend probation if it finds by a preponderance of the evidence that doing so is in the best interest of the ward and the public. The bill also amended several code sections.

A juvenile court may impose on a child or youth on probation “any and all reasonable orders for the conduct of the ward.”⁴ Conditions of probation may include, among other things, electronic monitoring, drug testing, completion of education programs or other types of programs, or community service. Section 730(b) requires conditions of probation for a ward to be individually tailored, developmentally appropriate, and reasonable. This section additionally requires that the burden imposed by those conditions is proportional to the legitimate interests served by the conditions.

The Proposal

Terms and Conditions (form JV-624)

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee proposes revising form JV-624 as follows:

- Add new item 1, to address the requirement in section 730(b) that the conditions of probation (1) are individually tailored, developmentally appropriate, and reasonable; (2) place a burden on the child or youth that is proportional to the legitimate interests they serve; and (3) are determined by the court to be fitting and proper to the end that justice may be done and the reformation and rehabilitation of the ward enhanced;⁵
- Add “other sample” to the list of chemical testing methods at item 3l:
- Add parenthetical instructions describing the information requested in some items;⁶
- Add “Other (*describe*):” to several items to indicate that the blank fields are to order additional terms and conditions of probation;⁷

² Pen. Code, §§ 1203, 1203.1.

³ Welf. & Inst. Code, § 607(a)–(c). All further statutory references are to the Welfare and Institutions Code unless otherwise indicated.

⁴ § 730(b).

⁵ *Ibid.*

⁶ See items 3h, 3j, and 3m on proposed form.

⁷ See items 4k and 4w-z on proposed form.

- Replace “his or her” with “their” throughout the form to make the items gender neutral;⁸
- Add a reference to “or youth” in form items that specify “child.” California Rules of Court, rule 5.502(5) defines “child” as a person under the age of 18 years, and rule 5.502(46) defines youth as a person who is at least 14 years of age and not yet 21 years of age. The juvenile court can exercise its delinquency jurisdiction in most cases until a person is 21 years of age.⁹ The committee proposes adding “youth” to this form to include the people under the juvenile court’s jurisdiction who are over the age of 18 but not yet 21 years old; and
- Replace the reference to “Victim Identification Form” in item 3s(2) with an attachment identifying persons the child or youth should not have contact with. There is no Judicial Council or other statewide form titled “Victim Identification Form.” The committee proposes replacing that reference with an optional item that states: “Persons listed in the attached titled “JV-624, item 3s, List of Victims.”

Notice of Hearing—Juvenile Delinquency (form JV-625)

The committee proposes revising form JV-625 as follows:

- Reorganize the form so that the advisements and notices to parents, legal guardians, or adult relatives are on page 1 of the form rather than on page 2; and
- Replace “or, if you cannot afford the full amount, as much of that amount as the court decides you can afford to pay” with “unless the court determines you are unable to pay” in item 4d to more accurately reflect the law; and¹⁰
- Add appropriate references to “or youth” when the form specifies “child,” as discussed above; and
- Add the option of “hearing on a request to extend probation” in item 5 which lists the hearing types for which this form can be used to provide notice.

Disposition—Juvenile Delinquency (form JV-665)

The committee proposes revising form JV-665 as follows:

- Add subitem 11d for children or youth who are placed at home for the court to indicate the date probation must terminate unless it is modified or extended under section 602.05;
- Add subitem 11e for children or youth who are placed at home to allow a court to set a probation progress review hearing. This furthers the legislative intent in the bill that

⁸ See items 3c, 3m, and 3p on proposed form.

⁹ § 607(a).

¹⁰ § 730.7.

counties set progress reviews and probation termination hearings less than a year after disposition;¹¹

- Remove checkboxes for “mother” and “father” in item 11c because parent is gender neutral and adequate without additional information;
- For the reasons discussed above, remove the reference to a Victim Identification Form from the list of possible attachments in item 21; and
- Add to the list of possible attachments in item 21 both a proposed new form, *Prohibited Persons Relinquishment Form Findings* (form CR-210/JV-623)¹² and two existing forms, *Temporary Restraining Order Against a Child*, form JV-260, and *Juvenile Restraining Order Against a Child—Order After Hearing*, form JV-265.

Alternatives Considered

The committee did not consider the option of taking no action because revisions were necessary for the forms to correctly reflect recent statutory changes. In addition, the committee proposes additional changes to make the forms easier to use and understand. For form JV-665, the committee also considered adding a parenthetical instruction at item 11d, where the court indicates the date probation will terminate unless extended or modified, that states “select date 12 months from date of disposition hearing.” However, the committee concluded that the instruction would not be appropriate in all cases because some children or youth placed at home may continue to be held in custody before returning home and in-custody time does not count toward the 12-month time limit.¹³ The committee concluded it would be inadvisable to provide a blanket statement about the timing of termination and does not propose adding a parenthetical instruction.

Fiscal and Operational Impacts

The revised forms proposed are largely the result of statutory changes. The committee anticipates that this proposal will require courts to train court staff and judicial officers on the form revisions. Courts will also incur costs to incorporate the forms into the paper or electronic processes. Section 602.05 will require juvenile courts that are not already doing so to review

¹¹ AB 1376, section 1: “It is the intent of the Legislature that ... (7) Counties should apply best practices to minimize the amount of time youth spend on probation by creating procedures to limit probation to the shortest time necessary to achieve individualized rehabilitative goals, including setting progress reviews and probation termination hearings less than a year after disposition. (8) Counties that are currently employing best practices by holding probation reviews and considering termination of probation at six months should continue such practices and assist other counties by setting a standard of excellence guided by youth development models.”

¹² See Invitation to Comment, Juvenile Law: Implementation of AB 383 Regarding Firearms Relinquishment, {insert link to ITC when available}. That proposal would revise *Prohibited Persons Relinquishment Form* (form CR-210) into a joint criminal and juvenile form. If a juvenile form is approved to implement AB 383, either as a joint or stand-alone form, JV-665 would be revised to include it.

¹³ § 602.05(g).

probation cases more frequently and to hold additional hearings. However, this impact may be offset by the bill's requirement to terminate probation earlier absent a noticed hearing to extend it, which could shorten supervision periods and reduce associated costs.

Request for Specific Comments

In addition to comments on the proposal as a whole, the advisory committee is interested in comments on the following:

- Does the proposal appropriately address the stated purpose?

The advisory committee also seeks comments from *courts* on the following cost and implementation matters:

- Would the proposal provide cost savings? If so, please quantify.
- What would the implementation requirements be for courts—for example, training staff (please identify position and expected hours of training), revising processes and procedures (please describe), changing docket codes in case management systems, or modifying case management systems?
- Would two months from Judicial Council approval of this proposal until its effective date provide sufficient time for implementation?
- How well would this proposal work in courts of different sizes?

Attachments and Links

1. Forms JV-624, JV-625, and JV-665, at pages 6–13
2. Link A: Assem. Bill 1376,
leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1376

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

(This form should be attached to form JV-665 (Disposition—Juvenile Delinquency).)

1. Type of disposition (check all that apply):

- Home Supervision
- Electronic Monitoring Program
- Informal Probation
- Deferred Entry of Judgment
- Nonwardship Probation
- Wardship Probation

2. The conditions made in this order:

- a. Are individually tailored, developmentally appropriate, and reasonable;
- b. Place a burden that is proportional to the legitimate interests they serve;
- c. Are fitting and proper to the end that justice may be done; and
- d. Enhance (improve) the reformation and rehabilitation of the youth.

3. The parent or legal guardian must participate in _____ of counseling or education as directed by the probation officer.

4. The child or youth must:

- a. Report to the probation officer as directed by the probation officer.
- b. Obey all city, county, state, and federal laws and ordinances.
- c. Obey their parents, legal guardian, or caregiver.
- d. Keep the probation officer informed of any changes in address, phone number, family, school, or employment status.
- e. Attend school regularly, obey school rules and regulations, and not leave the school campus during school hours without permission of school officials or the probation officer.
- f. Seek and maintain employment as directed by the probation officer.
- g. Not use, possess, or be under the influence of any alcoholic beverage or illegal or intoxicating substance, or possess any associated paraphernalia.
- h. Not use, possess, or be under the influence of the following (list substance): _____
- i. Not possess, own, or handle any firearm, knife, weapon, fireworks, explosives, or chemicals that can produce explosives.
- j. Not contact or associate with (name): _____
- k. Participate in individual, group, or family counseling, as directed by the probation officer:
 - (1) Alcohol and other drug counseling
 - (2) Anger management counseling
 - (3) Sex offender program
 - (4) Other (describe): _____
 - (5) Other (describe): _____



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- l. Immediately submit to chemical testing by blood, breath, urine, saliva, or other sample on the direction of the probation officer or a peace officer.

- m. Be subject to search and/or seizure of their person, vehicle, or place of residence, or any place under their control, at any time, day or night, without a search warrant and without probable or reasonable cause, on the direction of the probation officer or a peace officer, for detection of the possession of (describe):

- n. Submit a DNA sample to the probation officer or juvenile hall staff within 30 days.

- o. Perform _____ hours of community service, to be arranged
 - (1) by the child or youth with the approval of the probation officer.
 - (2) through the probation officer and provide proof of completion by (date): _____

- p. Be at their place of residence between the hours of _____ p.m. and _____ a.m. unless with a parent or legal guardian or with prior permission of the probation officer. Exceptions to curfew, if any:

- q. Not be on the campus or grounds of any school unless enrolled, accompanied by a parent or guardian or responsible adult, or authorized by the prior permission of school authorities.

- r. **Comply with these terms regarding graffiti**
 - (1) Not possess any graffiti materials, or graffiti-related paraphernalia, including but not limited to spray paint, paint or ink markers, metal scribes, aerosol nozzles, or other material used to deface property.
 - (2) Perform _____ hours of community service work in a graffiti abatement program as directed by the probation officer.
 - (3) Not associate with anyone engaged in graffiti or related activities.

- s. **Comply with these terms regarding victims**
 - (1) Write a letter of apology, to be submitted to the probation officer for approval, by (date): _____
 - (2) Have no contact in person, in writing, by telephonic or electronic means, or directed through a third party with:
 - (a) Any person known to the child or youth to be a victim of the child or youth's offense
 - (b) Persons listed in the attached titled "JV-624, item 3s, List of Victims"
 - (3) Remain at least _____ yards from the following addresses (residence, place of employment, etc.):
 - unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
 - (4) Comply with terms and conditions of juvenile restraining order.
 - The juvenile restraining order is attached.



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t. **Comply with these terms regarding vehicles**

- (1) Participate in and successfully complete (*describe*):
- (2) Only drive to and from school, work, and/or counseling programs.
- (3) Surrender license to court probation officer.

u. Child's or youth's driver license is (*check one*):

- (1) Suspended
- (2) Revoked
- (3) Delayed for
- (a) period of: months years.
- (b) until 18 years of age.

v. **Comply with these terms regarding gangs**

- (1) Not be a member of, or associate with, any person the child or youth knows, or should reasonably know, to be a member of or to be involved in the activities of a criminal street gang.
- (2) Not wear or display items or emblems reasonably known to be associated with or symbolic of gang membership.
- (3) Not acquire any new tattoos or gaercings and have any existing tattoos or piercings photographed as directed by the probation officer.

w. Other (*describe*):x. Other (*describe*):y. Other (*describe*):z. Other (*describe*):

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY STATE BAR NUMBER: NAME: FIRM NAME: STREET ADDRESS: CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE: TELEPHONE NO.: FAX NO.: EMAIL ADDRESS: ATTORNEY FOR (name):	FOR COURT USE ONLY DRAFT Not approved by the Judicial Council
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
CHILD OR YOUTH'S NAME:	
NOTICE OF HEARING—JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDING Welfare and Institutions Code, section <input type="checkbox"/> 601 <input type="checkbox"/> 602 <input type="checkbox"/> 725 <input type="checkbox"/> 777(a)	CASE NUMBER:

1. NOTICE TO (name and address):

2. A hearing will be held

on (date):	at (time):	in (dept.):
located at <input type="checkbox"/> court address above <input type="checkbox"/> other (address):		

3. **TO THE CHILD OR YOUTH:**

- a. You have the right to be at the hearing and to present evidence.
- b. You have the right to be represented by an attorney. The court will appoint an attorney for you if you cannot afford to pay for one. An attorney can be appointed to speak with you before the court date.
- c. You are ordered to be present at the hearing.

4. **TO THE PARENT, LEGAL GUARDIAN, OR ADULT RELATIVE:**

- a. You have the right to be present at the hearing. You have the right to have an attorney represent you at the hearing.
- b. You may be required to pay back the cost of services, including counseling, or legal assistance provided to you or family members other than your child by the court or county in this case.
- c. You will not be required to pay back the cost of services, support, or legal assistance provided to your child by the court or county in this case.
- d. If the court orders your child to pay *restitution* to the victim of the alleged offense or to pay any *fin*es or *penalty assessments*, you can be required to pay the full amount **unless the court determines you are unable to pay.**



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5. The case is scheduled for:

- a. detention hearing.
- b. formal reading of petition, advisement of rights, and plea.
- c. jurisdiction hearing.
- d. disposition hearing.
- e. review hearing.
- f. permanency hearing.
- g. hearing on a request to extend probation.
- h. other (*specify*):

Date:

_____ Type or Print Name



_____ Signature

- Probation Officer
- Prosecuting Attorney



Request for Accommodations

Assistive listening systems, computer-assisted real-time captioning, or sign language interpreter services are available if you ask at least five days before the hearing. Contact the clerk's office or go to courts.ca.gov/forms for form [MC-410](#) (*Disability Accommodation Request*). (Civ. Code, § 54.8.)

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DISPOSITION—JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

- The court has read and considered the social study prepared by the probation officer and any other relevant evidence.
- The child or youth has been detained and is at risk of entering foster care. The probation officer believes the child or youth will be able to return home, and the social study includes a case plan as described in Welfare and Institutions Code section 636.1.
- The probation officer has recommended initial or continuing placement in foster care, and the social study includes a case plan as described in Welfare and Institutions Code section 706.6.

THE COURT FINDS AND ORDERS

- 1. Notice has been given as required by law.
- 2. The court takes judicial notice of all prior findings, orders, and judgments in this proceeding.
- 3. The court previously sustained the following counts. As to any offense that could be considered a misdemeanor or a felony, the court is aware of and exercises its discretion to determine the offense as follows:

Count number	Statutory violation	Misdemeanor	Felony	Enhancement (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- 4. The child or youth resides in (name of county): _____ County.
- 5. The case is transferred for disposition to (name of county): _____ County
Form JV-550 (Juvenile Court Transfer-Out Orders) will be completed and transmitted.
- 6. For the reasons stated on the record, the petition is dismissed:
 - In the interests of justice
 - Because the child or youth does not need treatment or rehabilitation.
- 7. The child or youth is placed on probation for up to six months under Welfare and Institutions Code section 725(a). The conditions of probation are attached to this form.
- 8. Deferred entry of judgment is granted denied.
- 9. The recommended findings and orders contained in the probation report dated _____ at pages _____ are adopted as modified by the court as its own; a copy is attached.
- 10. The child or youth is declared continued as a ward of the court.
- 11. The child or youth is declared a ward and placed on probation
 - a. Under the supervision of the probation officer without probation supervision
 - b. Under terms and conditions described on the attached form.
 - c. In the custody of
 - (1) Parent (name): _____
 - (2) Parent (name): _____
 - (3) Legal guardian (name): _____
 - d. Probation will terminate on (date): _____ unless modified or extended under Welfare and Institutions Code section 602.05.
 - e. Probation progress review is scheduled for (date): _____ and (check one):
 - (1) The child or youth is not required to attend.
 - (2) The child or youth is required to attend.



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12. Probation for out-of-home placement or confined commitment.
- a. Form [JV-667](#) (*Custodial and Out-of-Home Placement Disposition Attachment*) is completed and attached.
 - b. The child or youth is declared a ward and placed on probation in the custody of the probation department for out-of-home placement or confined commitment.
 - c. Under terms and conditions described on the attached form.

13. **The next hearing will be:**

Date:	Time:	Dept:
Date:	Time:	Dept:

The child or youth is ordered to return to court on dates and times listed above.

14. **DNA collection**

The child or youth is ordered to submit to DNA collection under Penal Code section 296.

15. **Restitution**

The child or youth, with their parent, is to pay restitution:

- a. As described on the attached restitution order.
- b. To each victim, as described below:
 - (1) Pay (*name of victim*):

Amount (<i>check one</i>): <input type="checkbox"/> \$	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount and manner determined by probation. If the child or parent disagrees, the court may review.
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 - (2) Pay (*name of victim*):

Amount (<i>check one</i>): <input type="checkbox"/> \$	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount and manner determined by probation. If the child or parent disagrees, the court may review.
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 - (3) Pay (*name of victim*):

Amount (<i>check one</i>): <input type="checkbox"/> \$	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount and manner determined by probation. If the child or parent disagrees, the court may review.
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16. **Fine and penalty**

The child or youth, with the child's or youth's parents, must pay:

- a. A fine of \$
- b. A penalty assessment of \$
- c. For a total of \$

17. **Terms regarding vehicles and driver's license**

- a. The child or youth must:
 - (1) Participate in and successfully complete (*describe*):
 - (2) Only drive to and from school, work, or counseling programs.
 - (3) Surrender their license to: The court A probation officer
- b. The child or youth's driver's license is (*check one*):
 - (1) Suspended.
 - (2) Revoked.
 - (3) Delayed
 - (A) for a period of _____ months _____ years.
 - (B) until 18 years of age.
- c. The court will notify the Department of Motor Vehicles of the judgment. The DMV has independent authority to suspend, revoke, or delay driving privileges.



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18. **Notice of rights**

- a. The child or youth is advised of their right to appeal.
- b. The child or youth is advised that their appointed attorney has a continuing obligation to represent them on this case, until the attorney is relieved by the court under California Rules of Court, rule 5.663.

19. Other (*describe*):

20. All prior orders not in conflict, including any terms and conditions of probation, remain in full force and effect.

21. The following attachments are incorporated by reference as findings and orders:

- Form [JV-667](#) (*Custodial and Out-of-Home Placement Disposition Attachment*)
- Form [JV-624](#) (*Terms and Conditions*)
- Form [JV-550](#) (*Juvenile Court Transfer-Out Orders*)
- Form [JV-260](#) (*Temporary Restraining Order Against a Child*)
- Form [JV-265](#) (*Juvenile Restraining Order Against a Child—Order After Hearing*)
- Form [JV-733](#) (*Commitment to Secure Youth Treatment Facility*)
- Form [CR-110/JV-790](#) (*Order for Victim Restitution*)
- Form [JV-223](#) (*Order on Application for Psychotropic Medication*)
- Form [JV-535](#) (*Order Designating Educational Rights Holder*)
- Form [JV-501](#) (*Parentage—Findings and Judgment*)
- Indian Child Welfare Act responses from tribes or BIA
- Form [JV-135](#) (*Order for Repayment of Cost of Legal Services*)
- Form [CR-210/JV-632](#) (*Prohibited Persons Relinquishment Form Findings*)
- Probation officer's case plan approved by the court As submitted As amended and stated on the record
- Other

Date:

Judicial Officer

