

**Guideline #2**

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This guideline is not a new law or rule but an agency interpretation and guidance pertaining to an existing law or rule contained in IDAPA 05.02.01 pertaining to the section(s) below.

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**Written Interpretation of Escapes  
For Residential Treatment Providers**

**05.02.01, Section 010.12 (definitions): Escape/Attempted Escape.**

Attempting to leave or leaving a facility without permission, or attempting to leave or leaving the lawful custody of any officer or other person responsible for juvenile's supervision without permission.

Background

This guideline is intended to clarify the department's interpretation of a juvenile escape from a contracted treatment provider. Upon the occurrence of an escape, the provider shall follow the rules listed in IDAPA 05.02.01.156.

Practices for Residential Treatment Providers

Providers will utilize the following guide when determining whether an escape occurred or is occurring:

<b>IDJC Level of Custody and Supervision</b>	<b>When an Escape Has Occurred</b>
Levels 5 and 4	An escape has occurred once a juvenile has stepped outside of the facility grounds without approval from staff.
Level 3	An escape has occurred once a juvenile has stepped outside of the facility grounds without approval from staff and leaves staff line of sight. If the juvenile is apprehended or returns <i>immediately</i> , this may only be considered an attempted escape.
Level 2 and 1 – non supported living provider	To account for unforeseeable incidents that may occur with transportation or a juvenile's job, an escape has occurred once a juvenile's location is unknown for a period exceeding two hours. In all circumstances, once it is clear that a juvenile has escaped, regardless of how much time has passed, the provider must immediately complete the notifications and procedures related to an escape

<b>IDJC Level of Custody and Supervision</b>	<b>When an Escape Has Occurred</b>
Level 2 and 1 – supported living provider	<p>An escape is determined based on the amount of supervision agreed upon by the department and the provider.</p> <p><u>If providing 24-hour supervision:</u> An escape has occurred once the juvenile is out of the staff’s line of sight. If the juvenile is apprehended or returns <i>immediately</i>, this may be considered an attempted escape.</p> <p><u>If providing hourly supervision:</u> To account for unforeseeable incidents that may occur with transportation or a juvenile’s job, an escape has occurred once a juvenile’s location is unknown for a period exceeding two hours. In all circumstances once it is clear that a juvenile has escaped, regardless of how much time has passed, the provider must immediately complete the notifications and procedures related to an escape.</p>