

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PASCO AND PINELLAS COUNTIES, FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2023-044 PI-CIR

RE: UNIFORM BOND SCHEDULE – PINELLAS COUNTY

The uniform bond schedule is being amended in Pinellas County in response to the enactment of sections 903.011(5)(a) and 903.011(6), Florida Statutes, which requires the Florida Supreme Court to adopt a uniform statewide bond schedule so that persons arrested for certain criminal offenses may be released on bond prior to the person’s first appearance hearing. The statutory amendments are effective January 1, 2024. Subsequently, to the extent such is procedural, the Florida Supreme Court issued a Statewide Uniform Bond Schedule effective January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024. This Administrative Order is updated to comply with these new requirements. In accordance with Article V, section 2, Florida Constitution, Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215, section 43.26, Florida Statutes, and the authority granted in section 903.011(5)(d), Florida Statutes, to the chief judge to locally increase the monetary bond,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Each crime of arrest requires a separate bond pursuant to section 903.02(4), Florida Statutes and Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.131(b)(2).
2. The following bond schedule is effective January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024:

THIS SCHEDULE IS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT. THIS SCHEDULE DOES NOT BIND ANY JUDGE CONDUCTING FIRST APPEARANCE OR BAIL BOND HEARINGS. JUDGES MAY USE IT AS A GUIDE AND SET AN APPROPRIATE BOND FOR THE DEFENDANT BASED UPON THE EVIDENCE PRESENTED.

<p>1) For persons arrested for a crime listed in section 903.011(6), Fla. Stat., or who meet the criteria in section 903.011(6), Fla. Stat. This includes the following for which the person arrested may not be released on bond before their first appearance hearing or bail determination where a judge determines the appropriate bail:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">a) The person was, at the time of arrest for any felony, on pretrial release, probation, or community control in this state or any other state;b) The person was, at the time of arrest, designated as a sexual offender or sexual predator in this state or any other state;c) The person was arrested for violating a protective injunction;d) The person was, at the time of arrest, on release from supervision under s. 947.1405, s. 947.146, s. 947.149, or s. 944.4731;e) The person has, at any time before the current arrest, been sentenced pursuant to s. 775.082(9) or s. 775.084 as a prison release reoffender, habitual violent felony offender, three-time	<p>Bond: None First appearance required.</p>
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violent felony offender, or violent career criminal;

- f) The person has been arrested three or more times in the 6 months immediately preceding his or her arrest for the current offense; or
- g) The person's current offense of arrest is for one or more of the following crimes:
 - i. A capital felony, life felony, felony of the first degree, or felony of the second degree;
 - ii. A homicide under chapter 782; or any attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to commit a homicide;
 - iii. Assault in furtherance of a riot or an aggravated riot; felony battery; domestic battery by strangulation; domestic violence, as defined in s. 741.28; stalking; mob intimidation; assault or battery on a law enforcement officer; assault or battery on juvenile probation officer, or other staff of a detention center or commitment facility, or a staff member of a commitment facility, or health services personnel; assault or battery on a person 65 years of age or older; robbery; burglary; carjacking; or resisting an officer with violence;
 - iv. Kidnapping, false imprisonment, human trafficking, or human smuggling;
 - v. Possession of a firearm or ammunition by a felon, violent career criminal, or person subject to an injunction against committing acts of domestic violence, stalking, or cyberstalking;
 - vi. Sexual battery; indecent, lewd, or lascivious touching; exposure of sexual organs; incest; luring or enticing a child; or child pornography;
 - vii. Abuse, neglect, or exploitation of an elderly person or disabled adult;
 - viii. Child abuse or aggravated child abuse;
 - ix. Arson; riot; aggravated riot, inciting a riot, or aggravated inciting a riot; or a burglary or theft during a riot;
 - x. Escape; tampering or retaliating against a witness, victim, or informant; destruction of evidence; or tampering with a jury;
 - xi. Any offense committed for the purpose of benefiting, promoting, or furthering the interests of a criminal gang;
 - xii. Trafficking in a controlled substance, including conspiracy to engage in trafficking in a controlled substance;
 - xiii. Racketeering; or
 - xiv. Failure to appear at required court proceedings while on bail.

2) For persons not covered by number (1), arrested for a third degree felony that involves any amount of force or threat of force against a person.	Bond: None First appearance required.
3) For persons not covered by number (1), arrested for a third degree felony that does not involve any force or threat of force against a person. a) Except the following offenses will have no bond prior to first appearance: i. Any felony driving offense. ii. Driving under the influence or boating under the influence offenses under s. 316.193 or s. 327.35, Fla. Stat., whether charged as a felony or misdemeanor, except as provided in paragraph 6 below. iii. Any felony failure to register charge.	Bond: \$5,000 Bond: None First appearance required.
4) For persons not covered by number (1), arrested for a first degree misdemeanor or an ordinance punishable like a first degree misdemeanor, that involves any amount of force or threat of force against a person.	Bond: \$1,000
5) For persons not covered by number (1), arrested for a first degree misdemeanor or an ordinance punishable like a first degree misdemeanor, that does not involve any force or threat of force against a person.	Bond: \$500
6) For persons not covered by number (1), arrested for driving under the influence or boating under the influence offenses under s. 316.193 or s. 327.35, Fla. Stat., and who have not: a) Caused damage to the property or person of another, b) Previously been convicted of DUI or BUI, or c) Had a DUI or BUI dismissed as part of a diversionary program.	Bond: \$500
7) For persons not covered by number (1), arrested for a second degree misdemeanor or an ordinance punishable like a second degree misdemeanor, that involves any amount of force or threat of force against a person.	Bond: \$250
8) For persons not covered by number (1), arrested for a second degree misdemeanor or an ordinance punishable like a second degree misdemeanor, that does not involve force or threat of force against a person and that is not driving under the influence or boating under the influence.	Bond: \$150

3. If a person arrested is eligible for bond under this schedule, but jail staff or pretrial release staff are unable to make a determination as to their status under section 903.011(6), Florida Statutes,

the defendant will be required to attend a first appearance hearing.

Effective January 1, 2024, Administrative Order 2021-016 is hereby rescinded to the extent that it conflicts with this Administrative Order.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Clearwater, Pinellas County, Florida, this _____ day of December 2023.

ORIGINAL SIGNED ON DECEMBER 27, 2023
BY SHAWN CRANE, CHIEF JUDGE

cc: All Pinellas Judges
The Honorable Bruce Bartlett, State Attorney
The Honorable Sara Mollo, Public Defender
The Honorable Bob Gualtieri, Sheriff, Pinellas County
The Honorable Ken Burke, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Pinellas County
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