



Sixth Judicial Specialty Court

Drug Testing Policy

Drug testing is conducted seven days a week. You are assigned a color based on your phase in the program. The color system is below:

Pre-sentencing	Blue
Phase I	Blue
Phase II	Red
Phase III	Yellow
Phase IV	Purple

You must call 775.623.6029 every afternoon between 2:30- 3:00pm. If your assigned color is required to test, you must report to 653 Anderson Street between 3:30- 4:30pm.

Drug testing is mandatory. If you do not submit a sample or provide a sample, provide a dilute sample, or provide a sample that cannot be tested for any reason, it will be considered as if it were positive.

775.623.6029

653 Anderson Street | Winnemucca, NV

Your assigned testing color is: _____

Treating Illness

Doctors, Medicine, and Drug Court

Question: What do you do if you need to go to a doctor or hospital for pain or other medical problem?

Answer: Tell the doctor or nurse you are in recovery.

Most doctors and nurses will understand that a person in recovery must not take certain medications such as narcotic pain killers, certain cough syrups, muscle relaxants, or tranquilizers. Make sure you tell any medical professional who is treating you that you are in recovery. Explain to them that you cannot take any mood/mind altering substances as it will endanger your recovery and may result in a positive drug test. If you forget and your doctor gives you a prescription for a drug you are not allowed to take, you must contact that doctor, tell them you are in recovery, and get a new prescription. Notify the Court of all drugs administered at the hospital.

Question: What should I do when I am given a new prescription?

Answer: Bring a copy of the prescription to the Program Coordinator before you begin taking the medication.

Question: What if I get sick and want to buy over-the-counter medicine?

Answer: Talk to the pharmacist on duty. Explain you are in recovery and cannot take any medications that will interfere with your drug testing. The pharmacist will be able to recommend appropriate medications.

Question: What if someone else offers me their prescription?

Answer: Never take any medication that has been prescribed for someone else. Using medication that has been prescribed to someone else is a violation of federal law and specialty court expectations.

Question: Can I eat poppy seeds?

Answer: No, poppy seeds or “everything bagels” can give you false positives. Do not try to explain positive tests as a result of eating poppy seeds. That excuse will not be accepted.

Medications You Cannot Take

You may not take anything that will interfere with drug testing. Common medicines that you cannot take if you are in drug court and should not take if you are in recovery include:

All cough medicine with Codeine, Alcohol, or Dextromethorphan

All narcotic Analgesics (painkillers) Common brands include:

Darvon or Darvacet (also known as Propoxyphene, Percocet or Percodan (also known as Oxycodone, Tylenol 3 (with Codeine), Vicodin (also known as Hydrocodone)

All Benzodiazepines (anti-anxiety drugs) Common brands include:

Ativan (also known as Lorazepam), Librium (also known as Chlordiazepoxide), Valium (also known as Diazepam), Xanax (also known as Alprazolam)

Allergy/Cold medication containing any of the following compounds:

Pseudoephedrine

Phenylpropanolamine

Diphenhydramine

Dextromethorphan

Doxylamine

Examples: Actifed, Benadryl, Benylin, Comtrex, Contac, Corididin D, DayQuil, Dimetapp, Neo-Synephrine, NyQuil, Robitussin Sinus, Sine-Off, Sinutab, Sudafed, Tylenol Cold, Vicks 44D, Vicks 44M, Zyrtec-D

Alcohol Testing

It is your responsibility to limit your exposure to products and substances detailed below that contain ethyl alcohol. Read product labels, know what is contained in the products you use and consume, and stop and inspect these products before you use them.

The use of products listed below is a violation of this contract and will not be allowed as an excuse for a positive test. **WHEN IN DOUBT, DON'T USE, CONSUME, OR APPLY!**

COUGH SYRUPS

Participants are prohibited from using alcohol-containing cough cold syrups such as NyQuil or any other medication containing ethyl alcohol as a solvent. Read all new medication labels.

NON-ALCOHOLIC BEER AND WINE

Nonalcoholic beers or wine are not permitted in this program.

FOOD PRODUCTS

Flavoring extracts and liquid herbal extracts could result in a positive screen. Communion wine, food cooked with wine, and flambé dishes must be avoided.

MOUTHWASH AND BREATH STRIPS

Mouthwashes and other breath cleansing products containing ethyl alcohol and could produce a positive test. They are not permitted.

HAND SANITIZERS

Purell, Germex, etc. and other antiseptic gels or foams used to disinfect do contain ethyl alcohol and are not permitted.

HYGIENE PRODUCTS

Aftershaves, colognes, perfumes, hair spray, mousse, astringents, insecticides (such as OFF) and some body washes do contain ethyl alcohol. Small or limited uses of these products will not likely test positive for alcohol, but excessive, unnecessary or repeated use of these products could affect test results. Use these products sparingly.

SOLVENTS/LACQUERS

Solvent, lacquer or surface preparation used in construction or in the home contain ethyl alcohol. Excessive inhalation or topical exposure could result in a positive test. Educate yourself to these products before use, and if used, use only for the purpose intended and sparingly.

Huffing, Sniffing, Dusting, & Bagging

Huffing, sniffing, dusting, and bagging are prohibited.

If you are suspected of any of the above, your home and property are subject to search.

Anyone found to be huffing, sniffing, dusting, and bagging may be terminated from the program. Any evidence of the above may also be grounds for sanction or termination.

Important Testing Reminders

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

You, and you alone, are responsible for what goes into your body. It is your responsibility to read all labels. Don't come to court with any explanation that illegal or prohibited drug use is anyone's fault but your own. No excuses!

WHEN YOU ARE NOT SURE

When in doubt, DON'T TAKE IT. Ask your doctor, treatment provider or probation officer. If you have any questions about any medication you are taking, contact the Program Coordinator.

DILUTE SAMPLES

Dilute samples are positive tests and will be treated as positive tests. You can be sanctioned for dilutes samples.

ADULTERATION

Any evidence of past, present, or future adulteration such as specimen cups, stored urine, devices, or products are considered attempts at deceiving the court. Any evidence of adulteration may be grounds for sanction or termination from the program.

PRE-SENTENCING PARTICIPATION

If you are participating in drug court presentencing, your Stipulation and Order for Release can be revoked if you fail to provide a sample, have a positive test, or provide a dilute sample.

Specialty Court participants are required to sign this document at the time they sign the Drug Court Participation Agreement. Signature acknowledges that you have received a copy of this document.

Program Participant

Date

Program Coordinator

Print Name

Print Name