

HMP	His Majesty's Prison
HMPPS	His Majesty's Prison and Probation Service
YOI	Young Offender's Institution
Prison Category	<p>The categories of prison are A, B, C and D:</p> <p>Cat A prisons hold prisoners deemed a higher risk to the public or a higher risk of escape.</p> <p>Cat B are 'local' or training prisons. 'Local' means they serve the courts, hold people on remand, and take newly sentenced prisoners.</p> <p>Cat C prisons are training or resettlement prisons. These prisons aim to provide training and work opportunities and support people to prepare for release or Cat D.</p> <p>Cat D prisons are 'open' prisons with minimal security. These prisons allow prisoners to work or train in the community and even spend occasional weekends at home. Only prisoners risk-assessed as suitable will transfer this category.</p>
NPS	National Probation Service
Custody	Refers to the time a person spends in prison or "police custody" at a police station.
Bail	When a person charged with an offence is allowed to remain in the community until their court hearing or sentence. There may be conditions attached to this such as not travelling outside their area and not contacting co-defendants or witnesses.
Remand	When a person charged with an offence is sent to prison while they await trial. The court may decide to remand someone based on previous convictions, previous breach of bail conditions, or a concern they may offend while on bail or abscond/not appear at their trial.
Sentence	Time to be served in prison.
HDC or Tag	Home Detention Curfew (sometimes called "tag"). When someone is released early to serve the remaining sentence in the community. They will adhere to conditions such as curfews and may wear a GPS tag.
Licence or Supervision	Time spent in the community following release where the individual is under probation supervision and may have to adhere to licence conditions. These could be staying away from certain areas or people, living at a prescribed address, and reporting regularly to probation.
MAPPA	Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements. This is when agencies such as police, social services, probation and other local authorities and charity partners work together to manage high-risk offenders in the community.