

Restitution Overview

What is restitution?

- It is money ordered by the court to reimburse the victim for the actual loss or damage resulting from a crime
- It is one way the offender can make up for the harm caused to the victim

Restitution may cover:

- Damage or lost property due to the crime
- Financial loss due to fraud
- Financial loss or expenses due to physical injury and/or psychological harm due to the crime
- Costs that victims of identity theft had to pay to re-establish their identity, and to correct their credit history and their credit rating

Note: The amounts claimed must be easy to calculate and based on records of actual financial loss. The amount can only include losses up to the date that the offender is sentenced (future losses cannot be included).

How is restitution requested?

- Complete the Statement on Restitution and forward to the Prosecutions office in your area
- Clearly set out the amount of your loss/damages and ensure supporting documentation is attached
- If you need help completing the form or information about the process, contact the Prosecutions office in your area or call Manitoba Justice Victim Services toll free @ 1-866-4VICTIM (1-866-484-2846)

What happens next?

- The court will use the Statement on Restitution to consider the amount of restitution to be ordered if an offender is convicted
- Courts may consider ordering restitution for all offences
- In deciding whether to order restitution, the court may request additional information
- Courts can include information about payment schedules in their judgment
- If restitution is ordered, you will receive a letter of notification
- If restitution is not paid, you may enter the restitution order as a civil court order judgment that is enforceable against the offender

Submit a completed Statement on Restitution and supporting documents to the Prosecutions office in your area. If you have any questions about this document please contact your local Prosecutions office or call Manitoba Justice Victim Services toll free at 1-866-484-2846.

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