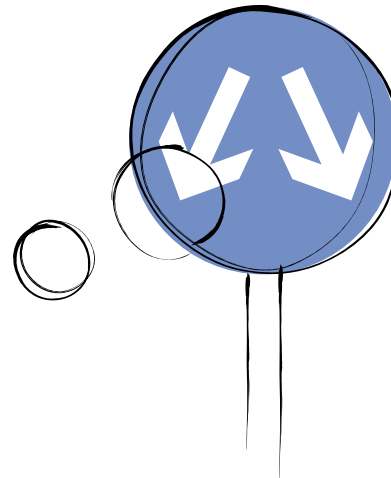


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What does being Remanded to custody mean?

The court has to think about whether young people appearing in court might be a danger to other people, or whether they might not come back to court when ordered to do so.

In such situations the court can order that a young person is locked up until the next court date. The courts don't do this unless they feel it is the only safe thing to do. They also have to bring you back to court regularly. You can appeal against a remand. Your solicitor will give you advice on this.

What will happen if I am remanded?

You will be kept in the court cells until you have been seen by a Youth Offending Service worker. This person will help the courts decide what is the best place for you to stay. They will also try to let you know exactly what is happening as it is decided, and keep your family informed.

Once you reach the prison, there are special staff there whose job is to help look after you.

Because you haven't been found guilty of an offence you will be allowed to wear your own clothes. Family can bring certain things in for you, but the prisons have strict rules about what is allowed.

Who can visit and when?

You will be able to have family visit, but will need to have what is called a 'visiting order'. The prison will provide you with the details as soon as possible.

You will also see someone from the Youth Offending Service early in your time at the prison. They will work with you, family and the prison staff to sort out any problems or worries.