

The Snohomish County Sheriff's Office is releasing the following information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550 and the Washington State Supreme Court Decision in **State v. Ward**, which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex offenders release. When, in the discretion of the agency, the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

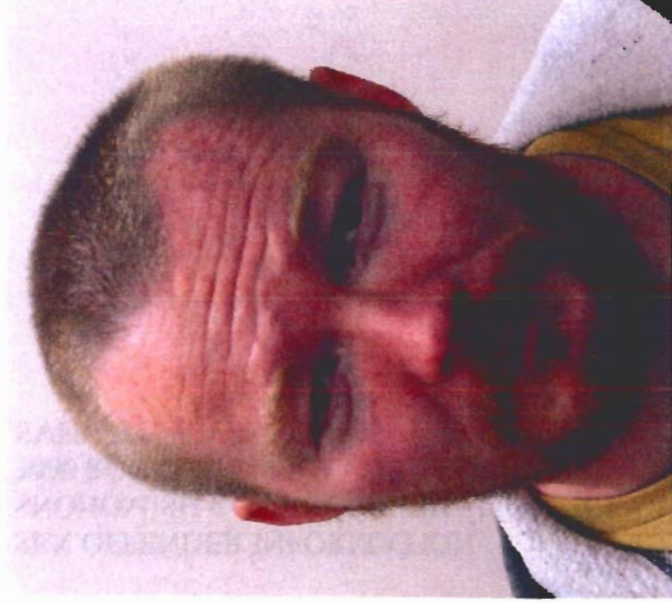
The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of a sex offense that requires registration with the sheriff's office in the county of their residence. Further, their previous criminal history places them in a classification level, which reflects the potential to reoffend.

The sex offender has served the sentence imposed on him by the courts and has advised the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office that he/she will be living in the below listed location. **HE/SHE IS NOT WANTED BY THE POLICE AT THIS TIME.** **THIS NOTIFICATION IS NOT INTENDED TO INCREASE FEAR; RATHER, IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT AN INFORMED PUBLIC IS A SAFER PUBLIC.**

The Snohomish County Sheriff's Office has no legal authority to direct where a sex offender may or may not live. Unless court ordered restrictions exist, this offender is constitutionally free to live wherever he/she chooses.

Sex offenders have always lived in our communities; but it was not until passage of the Community Protection Act of 1990 (which mandates sex offender registration) that law enforcement even knew where they were living. In many cases, law enforcement is not able to share that information with you. **Citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate or harass registered sex offenders will not be tolerated.** Further, such abuse could potentially end law enforcement's ability to do community notifications. We believe the only person who wins if community notification ends is the sex offender, since sex offenders derive their power through secrecy.

The Snohomish County Sheriff's Office, Crime Prevention Officers who are located at each precinct are available to help you set up block watches and to provide you with useful information on personal safety.



LEVEL 3 SEX OFFENDER

CLARK, RUSSEL ALLEN

DOB: 01/29/1978

HGT: 5'7"

WGT: 220

HAIR: RED

EYES: GREEN

151XX Hundred Block of INDEX

GALENA ROAD, INDEX, WA 98256

According to official documents, Clark pled guilty to the Crime of Rape in the 3rd Degree. His victim was a 15 year old female.

For further information about this offender, view his or her complete bulletin at our web site: <http://sheriff.sno.co.org> click on the sheriff services tab and then click on Registered Sex Offenders on the left.

The following web sites are listed to provide you with educational materials about sex offenders, how they commit their crimes and ways to keep your family safe.

National Center for missing & exploited Children:
www.missingkids.org

Washington Collation of Sexual Assault Centers: www.wcsap.org

Providence Intervention Center for Assault and Abuse: 425-252-4800

Washington State Department of Corrections: www.doc.wa.gov

Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration: www.dshs.wa.gov/jra

This is community notification of a Level 3 Sex Offender living in your area.

No community meeting will be held regarding this sex offender. This information is provided to you in the hope you will use the listed resources to educate your family about safety to protect them, Not only from this offender, but anyone who would victimize them.