

SPSO decision report

Case: 201200680, Scottish Prison Service
Sector: scottish government and devolved administration
Subject: progression
Outcome: not upheld, no recommendations

Summary

Mr C, who is a prisoner, complained that the prison delayed in assessing him for offending behaviour coursework. The prison explained that they prioritise prisoners in line with their progression (movement through the prison system to less supervised conditions) dates. They assured him that he was on the waiting list and would be assessed in due course.

Our investigation found that Mr C was not eligible for parole for another two years and there was sufficient time for him to be assessed for, and access, any required coursework. As we could see no evidence of unreasonable delay, we did not uphold the complaint.