

Community Notification

Sex and Kidnapping Offender Registration Public Information

Secondary Dissemination of This Information is Controlled by RCW 4.24.550

Risk to re-offend: Level III - High Risk; Level II - Moderate Risk; Level I - Low Risk

Info Released by the
Cowlitz County Sheriff



Offender Information

SHOWALTER, DUSTIN JAMES

W M 507 130 BRO HAZ Age 27

1600 BLOCK 9TH AVE , LONGVIEW

Address Date: 2/9/2010

Registration Information

6/29/2001 01-07358

Community Risk

Level III

04-24-01/10-30-02, COWLITZ COUNTY, WA
Child Molest 3/Comm Minor for Immoral Purposes



According to official documents, in 2001 Showalter was found guilty of Child Molestation 3rd degree in Cowlitz County. At age 18, Showalter knowingly harbored a 12 year old female runaway and had sexual contact with her. He has violated a no contact order in which a 14 year old was the petitioner. In 2002 Showalter pled guilty to one count of Communicating with a Minor for Immoral Purposes. Showalter did not participate in Sex Offender Treatment during his incarceration due to time constraints regarding his sentence. He was ordered by the Court to obtain sex offender treatment however as of 1/9/04 it does not appear that he ever entered a community based sex offender treatment program. In September 2004 Showalter was returned to prison for a period of time for having contact with a juvenile female and being out of state, both violations of his probation.

The Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office is releasing this information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550 and the Washington State Supreme Court decision State v. Ward, which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex offender release when, at the discretion of the Agency and the Risk Assessment Committee, the information will enhance public safety and protection. The sex offender listed has served the sentence imposed by the courts and has advised the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office of their address. This Registered Offender is not wanted at this time. This notification is not intended to increase fear; rather it is our belief that an informed public is a safer public. Law enforcement agencies have 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 anywhere. Citizen abuse of this information to threaten or harass registered sex offenders will not be tolerated. Such abuse could potentially end law enforcement's ability to do community notifications. The Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office can provide useful information on personal safety. If you have information regarding current criminal activity of this or any other offender, please call our office at 360-577-3092. You can find additional information about registered sex offenders at the Sheriff's web site www.co.cowlitz.wa.us/sheriff/rso/

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR SELF-PROTECTION:

1. You and your children should be continually aware of who is around you. If they are unfamiliar to you, don't put yourself in jeopardy.
2. Be aware of where your children are. Try to establish a time share child watching effort for children playing in the neighborhood.
3. Establish neighborhood safe havens for children as well as adults.
4. Urge your children to play in the area of other children, and caution them to not go anywhere with strangers.
5. Plan methods of escape, routes of escape and methods of self protection

More: www.co.cowlitz.wa.us/sheriff/rso/