## U.S. OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT ADJUDICATION SYSTEM

## Definitions

This system assigns crimes one of four rankings:

- *Minor:* Issue, standing alone, would not be disqualifying.
- *Moderate:* Issue, standing alone, would probably not be disqualifying.
- Substantial: Issue, standing alone, may almost certainly be disqualifying.
- *Major:* Issue, standing alone, would be disqualifying.

## Selecting an Initial Ranking

Listed below are several of the most common crimes and misconduct issues that surface when an employer is screening applicants. The Office of Personnel Management has assigned each of these actions a ranking, which are as follows (NOTE: The ranking of a probation or parole violation is determined by the conduct leading to the violation):

1. Intoxication			
A- Minor	B- Moderate	C- Substantial	D- Major
Drunk	Drinking and	Illegal	Pattern of excessive
Drunk and	driving	manufacturing	use, such as:
disorderly	Driving under the	Illegal sale	Convictions
Liquor law violation	influence		Job performance
(use or possession by a minor)	Driving while intoxicated		Employment gaps
			Inability to function responsibly
			Medical treatment
			Poor health

2. Drug Use			
A- Minor	B- Moderate	C- Substantial	D- Major
Infrequent use or possession of marijuana	Regular use or possession of marijuana	Transfer of controlled substance	Pattern of excessive use as reflected in 1D above.
Possession of	Infrequent use or	Possession for sale	Manufacturing
marijuana paraphernalia	possession of other controlled	or resale	Addiction
Arrested or charged	substances	Prescription fraud or forgery	Importing
with possession of	Possession of	Sale of controlled	Trafficking
marijuana	drug paraphernalia	substance	Cultivating for sale.
	Cultivating marijuana for personal use	Unlawful dispensing of prescription drugs	
		Smuggling contraband drug into prison	

2. Drug Use	
	Regular use of controlled substance other than marijuana

3. Financial Responsibility				
A- Minor	B- Moderate	C- Substantial	D- Major	
Bad check	Non-support	Pattern of	Pattern of	
Infrequent, irregular but deliberate	Judgment, tax lien or other default	irresponsibility as reflected in:	irresponsibility as reflected in 3C plus	
delinquency in	with no attempt at	Credit history	continuing major, valid liabilities	
meeting financial obligations	restitution	Disregard for debt		
obligations	Illegal gambling	Abuse of fiduciary		
	Eviction	trust		

4. Criminal & Immoral Conduct				
A- Minor	B- Moderate	C- Substantial	D- Major	
	Indecent exposure	Carnal knowledge	Pattern of	
	Solicitation	Sodomy	misconduct as reflected in conviction	
	Voyeurism	Prostitution	records	
	Mailing, selling, or	Bigamy or	Child molestation	
	displaying obscene material	polygamy	Sexual assault	
	Obscene phone	Pandering or pimping	Statutory rape	
		Contributing to	Incest	
	Indecent proposal	delinquency or corrupting the morals of a minor	Bestiality	
		Sexual harassment		
		Other sexual misconduct with impact on job		

5. Honesty			
A- Minor	B- Moderate	C- Substantial	D- Major
Non-material,	Altering	Bribery	Pattern of dishonesty
intentional false statement or	Breaking &	Embezzlement	as reflected in:
deception or fraud	entering	Grand larceny	Disregard for truth
in examination or	Forgery	Grand theft	Conviction records
appointment	Fraud	Mail theft	Abuse of trust
	Possession of	Robbery (unarmed)	Employment records
	stolen property	Perjury	Blackmail
	Black market		Counterfeiting
	activities (nonprofit)	False impersonation	Extortion

5. Honesty			
	Petty larceny	Interstate	Armed robbery
	Minor stealing or petty theft	transportation of stolen goods	Material, intentional false statement or
	Shoplifting	Black market activities with intent	deception or fraud in examination or
	Abuse of property	to profit	appointment
	False statement	Income tax evasion	Deliberate
	Filing false instrument	Receiving stolen property	misrepresentation, falsification, or omission of material
	Failure to file income tax return		fact

6. Disruptive or Violent Behavior			
A- Minor	B- Moderate	C- Substantial	D- Major
Disorderly conduct	Assault	Assault and battery	Pattern of violence as reflected in:
Disturbing the	Damaging	Manslaughter	
peace	property	(involuntary)	Conviction records
Making a threat	Destroying		Disregard for life or
Resisting arrest	property		property
Abusive language	Hit and run		Civil actions
Unlawful assembly	Vandalism		Employment records
	Criminal or		or medical records
	malicious mischief		Aggravated assault
	Harassment Cruelty to animals		Assault with a deadly weapon
	Hindering		Assault with intent to
	prosecution		rape
	Eluding police		Kidnapping or abduction
			Murder
			Rape
			Arson
			Threat or assault on public official
			Manslaughter (voluntary)
			Child abuse

7. Employment Misconduct or Negligence			
A- Minor	B- Moderate	C- Substantial	D- Major
	Insubordination Absenteeism		Pattern of unemployability based on misconduct or negligence as

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	Attendance problems	reflected in employment history		
	Rules or regulation violations			
If an employee engaged in other behavior listed in boxes one through five, eight and nine, and this was the reason for termination, raise the ranking by one level. For example, petty theft, a moderate issue by itself, becomes a substantial issue if it was				

the reason for termination.

8. Firearms & Weapons			
A- Minor	B- Moderate	C- Substantial	D- Major
Possession of an unregistered firearm	Possession of a prohibited weapon Possession of illegal ammunition Carrying deadly weapon Unlawful discharge of a firearm	Carrying concealed weapon or firearm Brandishing firearm Possession of firearm by a felon Possession of explosives	Improper or illegal sale or transportation of firearms or explosives Illegal manufacture of firearm or explosives

9. Miscellaneous				
A- Minor	B- Moderate	C- Substantial	D- Major	
Vagrancy	Moderate traffic	Vehicular homicide	Hatch Act violation	
Loitering Trespassing Minor traffic violation	violation Contempt of court Driving motor vehicle without owner's consent Possession of instrument of crime	Refusal to furnish testimony as required by 5 CFR 5.4 Tampering with a witness Harboring a fugitive	Mutilation or destruction of public records Engaging in riots or civil disorders Military desertion Striking against the Government	

## Upgrading Ranking

An issue may be elevated to a higher level if it occurs repeatedly or in conjunction with another issue. If an individual is charged with multiple crimes based on one incident there is not an upgrade. Characterize the issue according to the most serious conduct.

Frequency Upgrade		
Two Issues in 0-36 months	Raise both issues one level.	
Three or more issues in 0-36 months	Raise all issues two levels (e.g. minor becomes substantial)	

# Downgrading Ranking

Issues can be downgraded due to when they occurred. Any issue that occurred over 108 months (9 years) ago is considered a non-issue under this system.

Determining Recency			
Ranking	Period in Which Issue Occurred		
	0-36 months	37-72 months	73-108 months
A- Minor	No conversion	Downgrade to a non-issue	Downgrade to a non-issue
B- Moderate	No conversion	Downgrade to A- Minor	Downgrade to a non-issue
C- Substantial	No conversion	Downgrade to B - moderate	Downgrade to A
D- Major	No conversion	Downgrade to C- substantial	Downgrade to B

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