



**Good Conduct Credits Table (GCC):**

Inmates Eligible	Prior GCC Credits	GCC Credit Changes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Violent offenders serving determinate sentences or indeterminate life sentences</li> </ul>	Zero to 15%	20%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nonviolent second- and third-strikers</li> </ul>	Zero to 33.3%	33.3%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Day-for-day offenders</li> </ul>	50%	50%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Offenders with violent offenses serving in fire camps</li> </ul>	15%	50%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Day-for-day minimum-custody offenders</li> <li>Nonviolent offenders serving in fire camps</li> </ul>	33.3% to 66.6%	66.6%

**What are Milestone Completion Credits?**

Under Proposition 57, the Milestone Completion Credits have been expanded to 12 weeks in a 12-month consecutive period effective August 1, 2017. Milestone Completion Credits are awarded to eligible inmates for successful completion of approved rehabilitative or educational programs designed to better prepare them to find employment upon release and thereby reduce recidivism. They are also awarded for achievement of a distinct objective based on instruction and classwork time.

**What are Rehabilitative Achievement Credits?**

Thousands of self-help and volunteer public service activities offered in California prisons are intended to provide meaningful rehabilitative programming to our inmate population. Some examples include alcohol and substance abuse prevention, anger management, anti-gang life skills, victim awareness, and best parenting practices, to name a few. Many of these self-help activities fall under the Rehabilitative Achievement Credits, and effective August 1, 2017, inmates are able to receive up to four weeks of credits per year for participation in up to 208 hours of eligible self-help programs. CDCR’s Division of Adult Institutions and the prisons’ Wardens approve the programs, which must be organized to achieve educational or rehabilitative goals, and be sponsored by department staff or volunteers.

**What are Educational Merit Credits?**

Educational Merit Credits recognize the achievements of inmates who earn a high school diploma or GED, higher education degrees, such as an AA or a BA, and the offender mentor certification program that is available at several of our prisons. This once-in-a-lifetime credit, which came into effect on August 1, 2017, may be awarded for each level of educational achievement; and the achievement must be completed during the inmate’s current term of incarceration. At least fifty percent of the credit toward a college-level degree must be earned from a regionally accredited institution while an inmate is in prison on his or her current term. Because it can take years to earn an educational degree, inmates who