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GUIDELINES FOR BAD CHECKS

NH RSA 638:4

1. Individual must have been notified in writing by **certified mail, return receipt requested**.
2. We must have the return receipt, signed by the person, or the certified letter showing person refused the letter.
3. The business must provide the last known address where the person may be located.
4. Businesses must understand that the primary purpose for intervention by the Lancaster Police Department is the enforcement of violations of the criminal statutes of the State of New Hampshire. As such there is no guarantee that restitution will be collected at any time. We will make every effort during the process to collect restitution in the amount of the check was written for and for any reasonable service charges, however the court is not bound to order restitution on any amount if the violator is convicted.
5. Businesses receiving restitution for a check **after** it has been forwarded to the Lancaster Police Department, must notify the police department immediately. Any payment received within seven (7) days of a court hearing the individuals will still be required to appear at the scheduled court hearing.
6. If there are any questions about the proceedings with a bad check prosecution, contact the Lancaster Police Department.