

## Waiting Periods for Sealing of Eligible Offenses for Adults in Ohio\*\*

Type of Record	Time Starts	Waiting Period
One or two F3 Convictions - see note below* (as long as the record does not include soliciting or accepting improper compensation)	After Offender's final discharge	3 years
One or more convictions of F4 or F5 OR one or more misdemeanor ( as long as the record does not include soliciting or accepting improper compensation and no felony of violence)	After Offender's final discharge	1 year
Records that include soliciting improper compensation	After Offender's final discharge	7 years
For registered sex offenders	After duty to register has ended	5 years
Minor misdemeanors	After offender's final discharge	6 months
Bail forfeiture in misdemeanor case (exceptions for multiple offenses)	After the date on which the bail forfeiture was entered upon the minutes of the court or journal, whichever entry occurs first)	Any time

\*According to Section 2953.32 division (A)(1)(g) of the Ohio Revised Code, felonies of the third degree (F3) CANNOT be sealed or expunged: "if the offender has more than one other conviction of any felony or, if the person has exactly two convictions of a felony of the third degree, has more convictions in total than those two third degree felony convictions and two misdemeanor convictions."

\*\*There may be exceptions to these rules