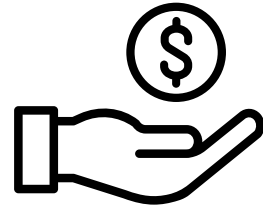




TYPES OF BAIL BONDS

A Simple Guide to Your Options in California

Understanding the different types of bail bonds is crucial for navigating the legal system. This guide clarifies the most common types of bail bonds, their definitions, and when they are typically used.



Surety Bonds

Definition: A bail bondsman pledges money/property. You pay a non-refundable fee.

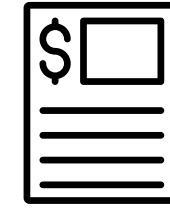
Who's Eligible: Someone who cannot afford the full bail amount.



Property Bonds

Definition: Real estate is used as collateral. The court can foreclose if the defendant fails to appear.

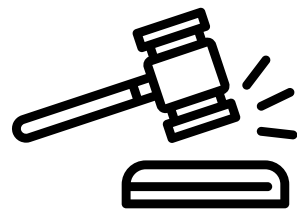
Who's Eligible: Someone who owns property with high bail amount.



Citation Release (Cite Out)

Definition: The arresting officer issues a citation with a court date. No financial security is required.

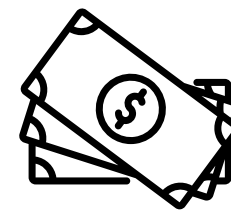
Who's Eligible: Individuals arrested for minor offenses.



Recognizance Release (ROR)

Definition: A judge releases the defendant on their promise to appear. No money or collateral is needed.

Who's Eligible: A defendant with strong community ties and a minor criminal record.



Cash Bail

Definition: The full bail amount is paid to the court. The money is returned after all court appearances.

Who's Eligible: Someone who can afford to pay the full amount upfront.



Federal Bail Bonds

Definition: Required for federal crimes. Higher amounts and handled by a federal judge.

Who's Eligible: An individual charged with a federal crime.



Immigration Bail Bonds

Definition: For detainees held by ICE. Subject to federal law and often have higher amounts.

Who's Eligible: An individual detained by ICE.



CA Supreme Court Bail Bond

Definition: (California Specific) A bond posted with a local judge. The defendant posts funds as collateral.

Who's Eligible: A defendant held in jail until the bail amount is paid in full.



CA Non-Judicial Bonds

Definition: (California Specific) A bail bond company finds a surety to guarantee the bond. The defendant cannot appeal the amount.

Who's Eligible: Used for individuals with drug, kidnapping, child molestation, and some sex crime charges.

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