CHAPTER 15 APPEAL OF DECISIONS

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205—15.1(17A) General. An inmate, parolee, or work release may appeal any action of the board staff or board that affects that person except a decision to schedule a hearing or a work release transfer hearing decision, the denial of an appeal, or the decision to conduct an appearance by electronic means, or the revocation of parole which shall be appealed according to the procedure indicated in rule 205—11.8(908).

205—15.2(17A) Grounds. The general grounds for an appeal include that the board action is:

- 1. In violation of constitutional or statutory provisions;
- 2. In excess of the statutory authority of the board;
- 3. In violation of a board rule;
- 4. Made upon unlawful procedure;
- 5. Affected by other error of law;

6. Unsupported by evidence or based on incorrect or incomplete information which, if correct or complete, might have resulted in a different action;

7. Unreasonable, arbitrary, or capricious or characterized by an abuse of discretion or a clearly unwarranted exercise of decision.

205-15.3(17A) Filing an appeal.

15.3(1) An appeal shall be filed in writing and shall state:

- *a.* The nature of the board action which is the subject of the appeal.
- b. The particular agency action which is the subject of the appeal.
- c. The grounds on which relief is sought.
- *d*. The relief sought.

15.3(2) All grounds shall be included in the same appeal, and all necessary documents and information shall be attached to the appeal.

15.3(3) The appeal shall be submitted to the business office. An appeal must be received at the parole board office, or be postmarked, within ten days of the receipt of notice of the action appealed. The board is not required to consider untimely appeals.

205—15.4(17A) Board review and decision. The board of parole, a designee of the board or a panel of three or more members of the board shall review the appeal. The chairperson or designee or the panel may affirm, modify or reverse the action being appealed or may defer the action for further consideration, including granting the inmate, parolee, or work releasee an appearance before the board. The board shall give notice to the inmate, parolee, or work releasee of its decision.

205—15.5(17A) Other appearances before the board. An inmate, parolee, or work releasee may request an appearance before the board by submitting a written request to the business office or a board liaison officer. A member of the board may grant the request for an appearance.

205—15.6(21) Electronic appearances. The board may require an inmate, parolee, or work releasee who has been granted an appearance before the board to appear by electronic means.

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