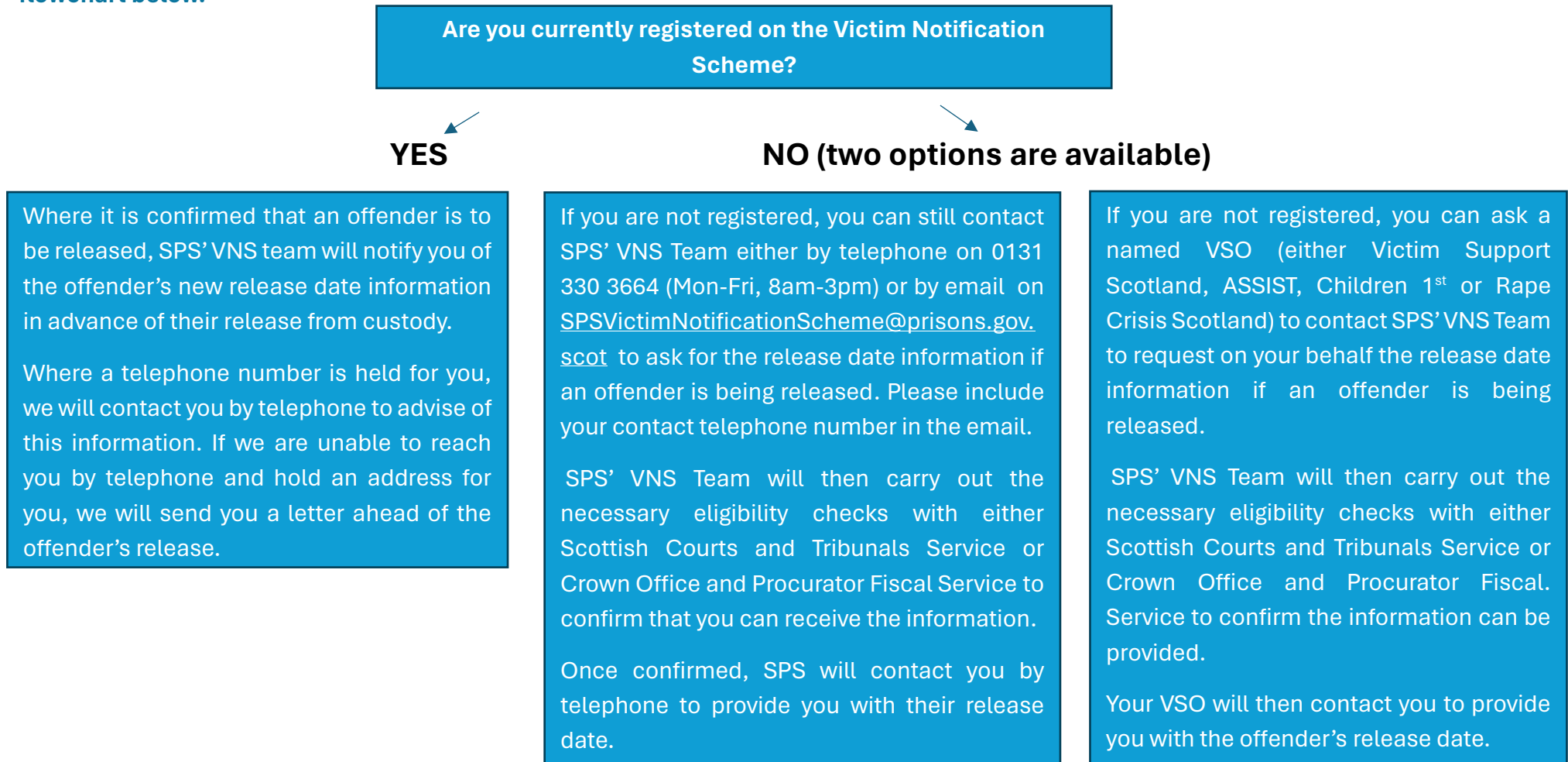


## **Emergency Release – Victim Notification Scheme**

**What information is a victim able to find out from the Scottish Prison Service (SPS) VNS Team about whether an offender currently serving a custodial sentence is going to be released early under Emergency Release. And how do I get that information?**

**SPS can only confirm the date an offender will be released from custody. We will know if an offender is going to be released early from 20 June 2024. On or after that date you can get up to date information on an offender's date of release as set out in the flowchart below.**



**There are many organisations in Scotland that can offer you help and support. Contact details for many of those organisations can be found on the SPS website at the following link <https://www.sps.gov.uk/victims-crime/victim-support>**

**What information is a named victim support organisation (Victim Support Scotland, ASSIST, Children 1st and Rape Crisis Scotland) able to find out from SPS about whether an offender currently serving a custodial sentence is going to be released early under Emergency Release. And how do they get that information?**

**SPS can only confirm the date an offender will be released from custody. We will only know if an offender is going to be released early from 20 June 2024. On or after that date a VSO can get up to date information on an offender's date of release as set out in the flowchart below.**

