## **Form Summary**

Name of Form:	Written Explanation of Determinate Sentence
Form Number:	CR-234
Statutory Reference:	§§302.05(3)(a), 302.042, 302.113(3), 807.15, 973.01(3g), 973.01(8), and 973.031Wisconsin Statutes
Benchbook Reference:	CR 36
Purpose of Form:	Provides a written explanation of a determinate sentence to a felon sentenced to prison for crimes committed on or after December 31, 1999 and to misdemeanor-habitual criminals for crimes committed on or after February 1, 2003.
Who Completes It:	Court official.
Distribution of Form:	Original to court file, copy to defendant.
New Form/Modification:	Modification, last update 10/09.
Modification:	Removed section to cover the Risk Reduction Sentence since the sentence is no longer an option. Renamed Earned Release Program to Substance Abuse Program, limiting application to substance abuse only. Also added space on each count to describe if the sentence is concurrent or consecutive to other sentences.
	Pursuant to 2009 Wisconsin Act 28, the court no longer is required to read an oral explanation of a bifurcated sentence, but must provide a written copy of the sentence.
Comments:	The form also explains how the term of confinement can be extended through the imposition of penalties for violation of DOC rules.
About this Form:	This form is the product of the Wisconsin Record Management Committee and the Director of State Court's Office and a mandate of the Wisconsin Judicial Conference.
	If you have additional information that does not change the meaning of the form, attach it as a separate page to this form. The form itself shall not be altered.