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# CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## INMATE HANDBOOK

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***This handbook is an informational guide for inmates while in custody at the Clark County Main Jail.***

***Policies may change as needed to maintain safety and security; therefore, current policies overrule information in this handbook.***



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**This photo illustrates how to properly make your bunk.**



**You MUST maintain this handbook in proper condition.**

**Handbooks are to be turned in upon departure from the facility.**

**Failure to return an issued handbook may result in a replacement fee.**

**Page 5, ADMISSIONS AND ORIENTATION, ISSUED PROPERTY**

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## **CLARK COUNTY JAIL**

As a result of arrest or court order, you are now housed at the Clark County Jail. While held at the jail, you can get help by asking a Corrections Deputy. This handbook is given to you as an outline of services and rules of the jail. Please review the following pages so you can get the help you want (or need) and you know how to do your time without additional problems or conflicts.

Our jail provides a safe environment for inmates, staff and visitors. If you do not follow the jail rules, you can expect consequences for your actions. These include but are not limited to loss of a single privilege or a combination of lost privileges. Privileges include; recreation, out of cell time, personal visiting, social telephone calls, commissary, and less restrictive housing. In severe cases; you may lose earned good time, and for criminal behavior, you will face additional administrative and criminal charges in court.

Our jail provides services for when you are released called "Reentry". Submit an electronic or paper "*Inmate Request Form*" to get services you need when you are released. These services may include help finding; safe and clean housing, medical services, mental health services, transportation, family services, transferring to another facility, or staying clean and sober.

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## **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)**

The Clark County Sheriff's Office is committed to ensuring all people have equal access to ALL services and programs. If you; your friend; a family member; your companion; or member of the public, have an ADA access concern, the following will enable us to ensure your access.

- You may contact a Corrections deputy or an Effective Communication Coordinator (ECC) in person.
- You may submit an electronic or paper "*Inmate Request Form*" to the ECC. Refer to "*Inmate Request Form*" in this handbook.

Jail Facility access concerns or ADA broader questions:

- You may submit an electronic or paper "*Inmate Request Form*" to the ECC, who will forward to the Clark County ADA Coordinator. Refer to "*Inmate Request Form*" in this handbook.
- The public may contact the ADA Coordinator directly: 817 W 14<sup>th</sup> St, Vancouver, WA 98666

If you have a complaint, you may submit an electronic or paper "*Grievance/Appeal Form*". Refer to "*Grievance/Appeal Form*" in this handbook.

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## **DEFINITIONS**

**"ABUSIVE SEXUAL CONTACT"** – Sexual contact to exploit any person without consent or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse. Excludes incidents in which the intent of the sexual contact is to harm or debilitate.

**"BOOKED/BOOKING"** – Taking a person's fingerprints and photo and entering information and charges into the Clark County Sheriff's inmate computer system.

**"COMMON AREA"** – Any area in the jail not designated as a sleeping area.

**"CONSENSUAL"** – A person's actions are voluntary, consented to, or agreed upon by those involved.

**"CONTRABAND"** –

- Any narcotic drug, controlled substance or item fashioned as a weapon.
- Any item not approved, issued or sold by the Jail.
- Approved items which have been changed or altered from the original form or use.

**"CORRESPONDENCE"** - Communication to or from inmates through letters, postcards and greeting cards.

**"ECC"** –Effective Communication Coordinator is a Correction staff member assigned to address any communication disability issues.

**"FURLOUGH"** - Furloughs are a temporary release from custody for family emergencies and are court ordered.

**"GRIEVANCE"** - An electronic or paper formal complaint regarding an incident, policy, condition or treatment within the facility.

**"HIPAA"** - Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act protects patient privacy and also ensures privacy of all accumulated health information that belongs to the patient. Healthcare providers nationwide are required to comply with the HIPAA rules and regulations.

**"HOUSING AREA/UNIT"** – Separate inmate living areas within the Jail and include:

- **"BUNK"** – A bed(s) or mattress in a sleeping area.
- **"CELL"** – An inmate's room designated for lockdown or sleeping.
- **"DAYROOM"** – An area for indoor activities while not in lockdown or during sleeping hours.
- **"DORM"** – A housing unit with sleeping area and dayroom combined.
- **"POD"** – Is a region of the Jail separated into housing units for inmates.
- **"TIER"** – Is one floor of cells in a two-story housing unit, upper and lower.

**"INDIGENT INMATE"** - An inmate who has under **\$2.70** in their inmate account.

**"INFRACTION"** – An inmate notice of a violation of jail rule(s). Infractions are divided into minor and major violations. Major violations require a hearing.

**"INMATE ACCOUNT"** – Refers to an inmate trust account, also known as an inmate commissary account, used to pay costs or expenses while in custody.

**"KITE"** - A term used to refer to an electronic or paper *Inmate Request Form*.

**"LEGAL MAIL"** - Any correspondence to or from any court, attorney, WA State Bar Assoc., Indeterminate Sentence Review Board, PREA Facility Coordinator, embassies and consulates, or legal advice of attorneys from established groups eg American Civil Liberties Union, Disability Rights Washington, legal services corporations or public defender associations representing you

**"LIVING AREAS"** – Is all areas where inmates reside while in custody.

**"LOCKDOWN"** – Order given by staff requiring you to return to your assigned cell. **"NON-CONSENSUAL"** – A person's actions are forced, in fear of threat, against their will, without consent, or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse.

**"OBSCENE"**- Refers to offensively portraying or describing sexual conduct, which content has no serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value.

**"PERSON"**– May refer to self or other inmates, or any employee, staff, volunteer, contractor, professional visitor, other agency representative.

**"PREA"** – Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003. Covering non-consensual sexual acts, abusive sexual contact, staff sexual misconduct, and staff sexual harassment.

**"SANCTIONS"** – Restrictions or denial of inmate privileges as disciplinary actions for violating jail rule(s).

**"SEXUAL ACTS"** - Sexual contact of any person. Includes direct contact between;

- The penis and the vagina or anus including penetration.
- The mouth and the penis, vagina or anus.
- Penetration by hand, finger or other object to the anal or genital opening of any person.

**"SEXUAL BEHAVIOR"** - Any word, action, gesture or behavior sexual in nature that may be offensive to a reasonable person, or to arouse or gratify sexual desire of self or others not involving sexual acts or contact.

**"SEXUAL CONTACT"** – Intentional touching of the private body parts of another person through clothes or direct for the purpose of sexual gratification. Includes:

- Genitalia
- Groin
- Inner thigh
- Anus
- Breast
- Buttocks

**“SEXUAL HARASSMENT”** – Repeated unwelcome or unwanted gestures or verbal statements or comments gender related or sexual in nature to any person.

Includes;

- Sexual advances or requests.
- Demeaning references to gender.
- Derogatory comments about body or clothing.
- Any language, conversations or gestures sexual in nature.
- In some circumstances one time may be considered sexual harassment.

**“SEXUALLY EXPLICIT”** - Refers to written, pictorial and/or graphic content of sexual acts or activities that include, but are not limited to the following:

- Representing actual or simulated penetration includes penile or vaginal to oral, penile to anal or vaginal, digital to anal or vaginal, insertion of any inanimate object in the vaginal or anal cavity.
- Showing an act or simulated act using adult sex toys or devices.
- One of the participants appears to be forceful, threatening, or violent.
- One of the participants is, or appears to be, non-consenting.
- One of the partners is dominating one or other participants and a participant is in a submissive role or is degraded, humiliated, or willingly engages in behavior that is degrading or humiliating.
- One of the participants is a child or appears to be a child.
- Representation of genitalia, buttocks or female breasts.
- Any bodily excretory function is depicted.
- Portraying bestiality, sadomasochistic behavior or bondage.
- Reasonably deemed to be a threat to legitimate penological objectives.

**“STAFF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT”** – Any behavior or act, sexual in nature, directed toward an inmate by an employee, volunteer, contractor, professional visitor, or other agency representative (excludes inmate family, friends or other visitors). Includes;

- Sexual relationships of a romantic nature between staff and inmates.
- Consensual or non-consensual sexual acts includes;
  - Intentional touching of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks.
  - Intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire.
  - Completed, attempted, threatened, or requested sexual acts.
  - Occurrences of indecent exposure, invasion of privacy or staff voyeurism for sexual gratification.

# **ADMISSIONS AND ORIENTATION**

All persons who are booked at this facility are required to provide requested information, fingerprints and photos. You will be advised of all charges against you. If you do not qualify as a book and release, you will be placed in a holding cell and prepared for housing.

## **COMMUNICATION DISABILITY**

If you have a communication disability, please inform a Corrections Deputy so we may assist you in your preferred communication method. When needed, we will provide a certified ASL Interpreter, VRI, VRS, or TTY machine. If you need additional aid or services, contact a Corrections Deputy or ECC - Effective Communication Coordinator directly or submit an electronic or paper *"Inmate Request Form"*. Refer to *"Inmate Request Form"* in this handbook.

If your friend; a family member; your companion; or member of the public has a communication disability, please inform in person a Corrections deputy and the ECC – Effective Communication Coordinator or submit an electronic or paper *"Inmate Request Form"*. Refer to *"Inmate Request Form"* in this handbook.

If you have a communication disability complaint or a concern not addressed, you may submit an electronic or paper *"Grievance/Appeal Form"*. Refer to *"Grievance/Appeal Form"* in this handbook.

## **PHONE CALLS**

You will be permitted to make phone calls in order to notify family, friends or a bail bond company of charges, bail and your location. **Phone calls are collect or prepaid phone card.** For more information about phone calls refer to *"Telephones"* in this inmate handbook. All phone calls are subject to recording and monitoring, excluding attorney calls.

## **POST BAIL**

If you are eligible and your charges have a bail amount, you may post bail either by paying the bail dollar amount in full to the courts or by contacting a bail bond company. The telephone system provides bail bond company contact information. Corrections staff is not permitted to make suggestions or referrals to bail bond companies.

## **WRISTBANDS**

You are NOT to remove and/or tamper with your wristband for any reason; doing so may result in disciplinary action. Your wristband is your identification, and you will not receive your meals, commissary, medications, recreation, library or visits without it. If your wristband breaks, it is your responsibility to notify staff immediately to obtain a new one. You might pay replacement costs.

## **ISSUED PROPERTY**

If you are unable to post bail or be released and are placed in general population, you will be dressed in and issued property as available.

It is your responsibility to retain this property, keep track of these items and keep them in good condition. All items issued, not purchased, are to be returned upon your release. **You may be responsible for costs of missing items and/or any jail property you destroy or damage.**

## **MEDICAL SCREENING**

You will be screened for medical information including illnesses, injuries, and immediate medical needs. Your prescription medications placed in Jail Property will be reviewed and may be filled, subject to the verification and approval of the medical staff.

## **PERSONAL PROPERTY/MONEY**

At booking, your personal property will be inventoried, checked for contraband, and then stored in the property unit for safekeeping. You will receive a receipt for these items. Inventoried items are separated into three (3) property bags. Bag #1 contains clothing, shoes and large items. Bag #2 contains small items such as keys, wallet, jewelry, etc., and Bag #3 contains prescription and over the counter medications. Your money will be deposited in your inmate account and may be used to purchase commissary items on your designated order day or to pay for other expenses incurred. To release property, refer to "Property Releases" in this handbook.

<b>Issued Property</b>
One (1) tote for storage
One (1) set of inmate clothing
One (1) pair of inmate shoes
Two (2) sheets
One (1) blanket
One (1) towel
One (1) inmate handbook
One (1) spork
Intake pack may be purchased. May include: comb toothbrush toothpaste soap tumbler writing items mail items

## **Personal property you may keep**

Prescription eyeglasses, contact lenses, and hearing aids

Medical Equipment (only items approved by medical staff)

Addresses and phone numbers

Legal materials, papers and letters

Pictures (no Polaroid's)

Underwear and socks (not shorts or swimwear)

Bra, no under-wire

**INDIGENT INMATES**

If you have under \$2.70 in your inmate account, you are considered an indigent inmate.

<b>You will not be denied:</b>
Basic goods and services e.g. meals
Basic hygiene and mail items
Necessary medical and health care

**Any debts incurred while in the Clark County Jail will remain after your release from this facility and will be deducted from future money received in your inmate account.**

<b>Debts incurred may include the following items:</b>	
Ordering a commissary indigent pack. Indigent pack may include:	Toothbrush Toothpaste Soap Pencil Writing paper Three (3) stamped postcards.
Medical services and medication co-pays	
Postage for sending out legal mail Envelopes for Legal Mail available on request	
Notary fees.	
Legal photo copy fees	

## **INITIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Classification will take place as soon as possible after your booking or first court appearance. Classification is a process to decide which housing unit you are assigned while in custody. It is done for the safety of all persons and the security of the jail facility. It is a non-punitive inmate management tool.

You may be classified as maximum, medium, or minimum security dependent upon your current charge, personal, criminal, medical and social history and the availability of space.

<b>General Population Standards</b>		
<b>Security Level</b>	<b>Clothing</b>	<b>Previous In-Custody History</b>
<b>Maximum</b>	<b>Orange</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current Class A felony</li><li>• Are on their third or final strike crime</li><li>• Current escape charge</li><li>• Nine (9) or more major infractions in the past seven (7) years</li><li>• Been housed in segregation for behavior reasons in the past seven (7) years</li></ul>
<b>Medium</b>	<b>Blue</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current or past strike crime</li><li>• An escape from a secure institution within the past ten (10) years</li><li>• Fail to return from Work Release or furlough within the past five (5) years</li><li>• Three (3) or more major infractions in the past seven (7) years</li><li>• Nine (9) or more minor infraction in the past seven (7) years</li></ul>
<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Blue</b>	None of the above applies to you.



# **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**The Clark County Jail has zero tolerance for any sexual behavior or misconduct, and violent or criminal behavior inside the facility. Violators will be held accountable through criminal charges and/or the jail disciplinary system.** The following are your basic rights and privileges and our expectations of you.

## **BASIC RIGHTS**

- Meaningful access to courts, legal materials and your attorney.
- Access to necessary and emergency medical and dental services.
- Ability to practice religious beliefs providing it does not create a safety or security issue or a legitimate penological concern for the jail.
- Nutritious meals according to USDA standards. A nutritional food loaf (i.e. Nutraloaf) may be served to disorderly and riotous inmates or as part of a discipline sanction.
- Protection from abuse and corporal punishment.
- Freedom from discrimination.
- Access to facility rules and sanctions.
- Confidentiality of inmate records as defined by RCW 70.48.city and county jails act.
- ADA concerns will be addressed based on an individual's needs.

## **BASIC PRIVILEGES**

- Inmate work programs.
- Education/library materials.
- Commissary.
- Access to recreation areas.
- Access to television and telephone services.
- Visits with family and friends on visiting list.
- Sending and receiving mail

## **BASIC EXPECTATIONS**

- Read inmate handbook.
- Follow all jail rules.
- Obey all orders/lockdowns promptly.
- Comply with tier lockdown.
- Address staff with respect.
- Be considerate of others.
- Maintain clean living area.
- Place your garbage daily in trash receptacles.
- Make your bunk when you are not in it.
- Shower at least three (3) times a week.
- Be fully dressed in common areas.
- Wear your ID/housing wristband at all times.

# ***FACILITY RULES AND REGULATIONS***

The Clark County Main Jail facility belongs to the citizens of Clark County. While in custody you are expected to treat this facility and staff with respect. The following rules and regulations are expected of you.

**Any violation of law may result in new criminal charges, probation violation and the inmate disciplinary process.**

**You should be aware that:**

- **Introduction of contraband into a correctional facility is a felony.**
- **Possession of any narcotic drug or controlled substance is a felony.**
- **Possession of a “deadly weapon” is a felony.**

## **SUPERVISION**

Corrections staff has the authority to manage the inmate population. You must follow their orders. If you disagree with an order, follow the order and refer to the grievance procedures outlined in this handbook.

## **EMERGENCIES**

In the event of an emergency situation, follow common emergency procedures until staff gives directions and then follow carefully as directed.

<b>Emergency Procedures</b>	
Earthquakes	Duck under a table or cover Sit or lay next to wall Cover head and face Stay away from glass
Fire	Stay low to the ground Cover mouth with cloth
Medical	Contact staff immediately

## **INSPECTIONS**

Your living areas will be inspected daily by your pod deputy. The administrative staff or designee may conduct weekly inspections.

## **SEARCHES**

Searches will be conducted to discover items, materials or conditions which threaten the safety and security of the facility and its occupants.

You will be subject to random searches of your cell, bunk area and your person (which may include urinalysis) for contraband. Trained animals may be used to search the facility, including your sleeping area, for contraband. You may be subject to strip searches under the following conditions:

- You volunteer for an inmate work program.
- Anytime you return after leaving the secure portion of the facility.
- Certain circumstances may require a strip search.

## **FIRE AND VENTILATION REGULATIONS**

Light fixtures, sprinklers, doorways, windows, and vents are to remain unobstructed. An accumulation of excessive papers, newspapers older than two days, or any other material that is determined to be a fire hazard is not permitted. Fire drills may be conducted periodically.

## **PROPERTY DAMAGE/REPLACEMENT COSTS**

You are responsible for keeping your living area, cell, county property and issued items in good condition. **You may be charged restitution costs for damages and/or replacement costs of items damaged or not returned.**

## **FACILITY CLEANLINESS**

All inmates of the Clark County Jail are responsible for cleaning and maintaining their own living areas daily. This includes your cell, bunk, dayroom or common areas, shower, and bathroom area of the housing unit. Sentenced inmates may be required to clean other areas within the jail. Pre-trial inmates may be permitted to clean other areas on a voluntary basis. A clean facility improves the safety and livability for all.

There will be no writing, pictures or paper posted on any surface. Sheets or blankets are not to be used as rugs, drapes, hammocks, or tenting for purposes of concealment. A towel may be placed on the foot of the bed or on the towel holder.

All bunks will be made when they are not occupied.

## **TRASH RECEPTACLES**

All trash will be placed in the appropriate receptacles which are emptied daily during clean-up. Do not put trash in the toilets.

# ***INMATE RULES AND REGULATIONS***

## **BEHAVIOR**

You are expected to treat staff with respect. Harassment, rude, demanding behavior, and profanity towards staff will not be tolerated. Horseplay will not be tolerated.

## **PREA – PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT**

The Clark County Sheriff’s Office has a zero-tolerance policy for any sexual behavior, harassment, or misconduct of inmate-on-inmate or staff-on-inmate. Pertaining to PREA information only, “staff” includes employee, volunteer, official visitor or agency representative.

<b>If you are a victim:</b>
Report the incident as quickly as possible
Don’t shower
Don’t remove or wash your clothes
Don’t brush your teeth

If you are a victim, in fear of or have concerns of being a victim, report it immediately to Corrections staff or use the inmate phone system.

There are steps you can take to protect yourself:

- Never share personal information
- Never borrow commissary items
- Never accept gifts from another inmate
- Be cautious of inmates offering to protect you
- Be aware of your body language

Information received on all reported allegations and complaints will be confidential. An investigation will be done and if found guilty the perpetrator(s) will be criminally charged.

## **INMATE MOVEMENT**

You are expected to move to and from the various areas of the facility, visits, medical, recreation and court in a quiet and orderly manner. You are to follow staff directions during non-escorted and escorted movements. Failure to follow directions could deny your movement to a scheduled activity such as recreation for that day and may result in further disciplinary action.

You are not allowed to take anything with you to and from most activities. Exceptions are necessary medication (e.g. nitroglycerin or inhalers may be kept on your person as authorized by medical staff) or necessary legal materials for legal process such as court and attorney visits.

## **TRANSPORTS**

You may be placed in restraints and searched when transported. You are to follow the transport deputy’s directions. Failure to follow directions may result in disciplinary action. Information regarding outside transports will not be shared.

## **HOUSING/CELL ASSIGNMENTS**

You are not permitted to change cells unless directed by a Corrections deputy.

When you are not on lockdown you may have access to dayroom and available privileges.

## **INMATE CLOTHING**

You will only wear clothing and shoes issued or approved by the jail. When in a common area or out of your cell, you are to wear your issued shoes and clothing (an unaltered T-shirt purchased from commissary is jail approved in dayroom only), unless otherwise directed by medical staff.

For regular court proceedings you will wear issued jail clothing. For jury trials, you may wear personal clothing brought in advance by your attorney.

## **LAUNDRY**

All linen and clothing items issued to you are your responsibility and you may pay replacement costs for items destroyed. Report immediately any torn or damaged linen or clothing. Linen and clothing are exchanged weekly.

## **PERSONAL HYGIENE**

Each inmate is expected to maintain a high degree of personal cleanliness. Showers are available for this purpose. Feminine hygiene items (emergency items are available, ask your pod deputy), toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, and other items are available for purchase at booking and weekly through commissary. Indigent inmates can order an indigent pack for hygiene items. To purchase items, refer to "Commissary" in this handbook.

## **PERSONAL ITEMS**

Your personal items must remain in their original form and you must have a receipt. Any items ripped, torn, or altered will be confiscated. Personal items are to be stored in the issued tote which fits under the lower bunk. Items not able to fit in the tote are to be stacked neatly. No items shall be placed on the windowsills.

- You may keep up to three (3) unaltered cups.
- You may have a total of six (6) books. You can receive additional books after you release books and they are picked up.
  - three (3) books in your possession including religious, personal, and library books and
  - three (3) books in your property.
- You may have up to three (3) days of newspapers.
- You may have up to thirteen (13) magazines. You can receive additional magazines after you release or discard them.
  - three (3) magazines in your possession and
  - a total of ten (10) magazines in your property.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

## GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

An inmate grievance must concern a jail rule, complaint of specific oppression or misconduct by staff in administering jail rules. The following are not grievable issues:

- Federal, State or Local Statutes.
- Court decisions, or decisions of an inmate's attorney.
- Discipline and/or sanctions as a result of disciplinary action. Refer to "Appeals" in this handbook for the disciplinary appeals process.
- Personal disputes between you and an employee.

The Sheriff's Office has established a formal procedure to address inmate complaints. If you have a grievable issue, you must first attempt to resolve it informally through oral communication with an employee or the employee concerned. If your grievance cannot be resolved informally, you can complete and submit an electronic or paper "*Grievance/Appeal Form*". Each level and written response must use the original form. All guidelines, steps and timelines must be followed in order to prevent rejection of your grievance and exhaust all administrative remedies.

### **Grievance guidelines are as follows:**

- Grievances are not an avenue to vent.
- Grievances should be written in a civil tone.
- Grievances that contain hostile, sexual or threatening language will be returned to you for resubmission.
- Use of profanity is not acceptable unless you are quoting a direct statement(s).
- Group grievances or grievances submitted on behalf of another inmate will not be accepted.
- Late filings may be denied.

### **Grievance timelines are as follows:**

- You have up to seven (7) days from the time of the event to submit an electronic or paper "*Grievance/Appeal Form*".
- The Sergeant/Supervisor has five (5) business days to respond.
- If you're not satisfied with the response, you have only forty-eight (48) hours from receiving the response to file your grievance to the next level. You must state a reason why you disagree with response.
- Each administrative level, Commander/Manager and the Jail Administrator has ten (10) business days to respond.

Medical care grievances must be submitted on an electronic or paper "*Medical Inmate Grievance Form*". Refer to "Medical Grievance" in this handbook.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE SEGREGATION**

Administrative segregation is a non-punitive inmate management tool. Inmates who present a safety/security concern, are pending investigation, require protective custody or who need to be separated from the general population may be placed in administrative segregation. The Classification Unit reviews placements every seven (7) days. Placements may be maintained as long as the safety/security concern exists.

Inmates in administrative segregation may be in lockdown twenty-three (23) hours per day. Violations of jail rules while in administrative segregation may result in restriction of inmate privileges. Inmates that are determined a threat to safety and security will have access to privileges on a case-by-case basis.

Complete and submit an electronic or paper *Inmate Request Form* requesting consideration for placement back into general population. State specific reason you should be removed from administrative segregation

## **RECLASSIFICATION**

Classification is an ongoing process for the safety and security of inmates and staff. If you have an emergent concern for your safety, you should notify staff immediately.

Classification reviews occur throughout your stay approximately every thirty (30) days, fifteen (15) days for maximum security, or as needed due to special circumstances. Your classification may be raised or lowered for varied reasons during your current incarceration. If you return to jail in the future, the general standards will apply.

Complete and submit an electronic or paper *Inmate Request Form* to request a review of your cell classification. State the reason you should be moved to another area.

## **JUDGES AND COURTS CORRESPONDENCE**

You may mail correspondence to judges and courts. *Inmate Request Forms* are not considered correspondence. Complete and submit a *Declaration of Inmate Mailing to the Courts* for each correspondence. Refer to "Legal Mail" in this handbook for mail details.

For Clark County judges or courts use the following address:

**Clark County Courts  
Attn: Judge (name)  
PO Box 5000  
Vancouver, WA 98666-5000**

## **PROPERTY**

Your stored property will be separated; Property #1 contains clothing, shoes and large items, Property #2 contains small items such as keys, wallet, jewelry etc. and Property #3 contains any over the counter or prescription medications. You are required to keep one (1) set of clothing in your property locker. While in custody, no exchange or release of clothing is allowed.

The following items may be left for you:

- Tennis shoes, if approved for medical reasons or for certain trusty assignments, should have your name marked in them.
- Jury trial clothing will be accepted in advance from your attorney only.

## **PROPERTY RELEASES**

- We are prohibited from releasing your medications.
- Items in Property #1 are not releasable unless approved by a supervisor.
- Items in Property #2 (i.e. house keys, wallet, jewelry, money that has been deposited in your inmate account etc.) may be released to the individual listed on the "*Property Release Form*".

To release property while in custody:

- Complete and submit a "*Property Release Form*" at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the individual picking up the property.
- Advise the individual picking up the property they need to provide valid picture identification and may have to wait.
- Completed form is valid through your current incarceration.

When you are released from this facility, your remaining property and funds are released to you.

If you are transferred to another county your property will accompany you. If you have been sentenced to prison:

1. A system generated property release form will be provided to you requesting release information as you are processed to leave this facility.
2. You must release all of your property obtained while in custody including commissary items.\*
3. You may take the following items on the State Chain:
  - Legal papers
  - Personal phone book
  - Glasses with a soft case
  - Medications
  - Wedding band without stones
  - Money from your inmate account.

\*NOTHING WILL BE RELEASED UNTIL YOU HAVE LEFT THE FACILITY. Do not send someone to pick up property prior to your release from the facility.



The Sheriff's Office will not be responsible for property once it has been released. All Property remaining after your release is transferred to the Sheriff's Office Property/Evidence Unit and will be disposed of after sixty (60) days.

**INMATE RELEASES**

The release times listed below are **guidelines**. Extenuating circumstances may cause some delays. You cannot request an early release.

Sentence/Serve Ends		Release time
The day your sentence is complete		Released between 7:00-8:00 a.m.
Serving less than four (4) days		Released the same time you were arrested or reported to serve jail time.
If bail is posted, fines paid or otherwise released by the courts between:	8:00 a.m.-Noon	Released during the afternoon.
	12:00-5:00 p.m.	Released during the evening.
Releases after normal business hours will be processed in the order they are received.		

**TRANSPORT VIA STATE CHAIN OR TO OTHER AGENCIES**

You will be transported according to transportation schedule and availability. You will not be provided transport date and time. You will return any issued property. All property will be released after you leave the facility. You may take some items with you. Refer to "Property Releases" in this handbook. You will be placed in restraints and searched.

**FURLOUGH**

You or a family member may request a furlough by contacting your attorney or by writing the judge or courts. Only the courts can approve a furlough. The court considers your criminal history and the circumstances for the request. You are required to return to custody on the date ordered. When you return, if you are intoxicated it may be reported to the courts.

**WELFARE, UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, SOCIAL SECURITY & FOOD STAMPS**

While in custody, it may be unlawful to continue to receive certain benefits. If you are receiving benefits, you have a duty to advise each agency of your current status. The jail sends inmate rosters to many of these agencies. Upon release, you may have to re-apply for these benefits or repay benefits that you received but were not entitled to while incarcerated.

## ***INMATE FORMS***

All forms are available from corrections staff. **Complete the form following all instructions.** Sign and date, then return completed form to your pod deputy.

<b>Approved Visitors List</b>	This form is used to list family, friends, and religious visitors you want to visit you during your scheduled visiting time. Refer to the form for specific directions.
<b>Declaration of Inmate Mailing to the Courts</b>	This form is to accompany any legal mail being sent out by you to a court.
<b>Health Care Request</b>	This form is used for all medical related requests.
<b>Inmate Grievance/ Disciplinary Appeal</b>	This form is used for a complaint or an unresolved issue concerning a jail rule or disciplinary action, complaint of specific oppression or misconduct by staff in administering jail rules.
<b>Inmate Request (Kite)</b>	This form is used to request information concerning your sentence, fines, cell change, commissary, property, inmate account, telephone password, programs, etc.
<b>Medical Inmate Grievance</b>	This form is used for a complaint if your medical care by the medical staff was unsatisfactory.
<b>Medical Release of Information</b>	This form is to authorize release of your medical records to/from medical providers only.
<b>Property Release</b>	This form is to authorize a specific individual to pick up your personal property which is able to be released. After signature, it is valid through your current incarceration.
<b>Request for Legal Copies or Notary Services</b>	This form is to request notary services or photocopies of legal papers and/or information available in the Law Library.
<b>Special Diet Agreement</b>	This form is used to request a special diet for religious reasons.

# INMATE SERVICES

The following information is inmate services this facility offers while you are in custody.

## INMATE ACCOUNT

Your money at time of booking has been credited to your inmate account less any money you have authorized to release after booking using a "Property Release" form. When transferred to another county or prison, a check for the remaining balance in your account will accompany you. When released from this facility, you will receive a debit card with your remaining balance and instructions on how/where to redeem your money.

Money in this account may be used for expenses you incur while in custody. Allowing others to use your account for expenses may result in disciplinary actions. Expenses may include commissary items purchased, medical co-pays, prepaid telephone account, or other fees and costs incurred. All fees and costs are subject to change without notice.

If you have less than \$2.70 in your account, you are an indigent inmate and will not be denied basic goods and services, **however, any debts incurred will be maintained after your release from this facility and will be deducted from future money received in your inmate account. When debts are owed, the jail can apply up to 40% of money deposited in your account to the debt owed.**

Family, friends, or other persons can add money to your account, for your use only, by mail, brought to this facility, or by contacting the service provider by phone or website. It is your responsibility to keep track of your account balance. Your inmate account balance is available on the kiosk. Your pod deputy does not have access to that information.

Add money to inmate accounts:
Money orders and cashier checks mailed will be accepted. <b>Mailing cash is not suggested.</b>
Coins, personal checks and foreign currency will not be accepted.
Kiosk in the facility lobby accepts exact cash (\$5, \$10, \$20 or higher bills) or debit/credit cards.
Facility lobby hours are: Monday - Friday 8:00am – 8:00pm Saturday 8:00am – 5:00pm
Service provider's Toll-free phone call or website accepts debit/credit cards.

## MAIL

While in custody you are allowed to send and receive mail that complies with U.S. Postal regulations and the Clark County Jail mail rules. There are no limitations on the number of lawful mail items that an inmate may send or receive. Length, language and content will not be restricted except when there is reasonable suspicion to justify restrictions for reasons of public safety, facility order and security or when items are considered contraband.

**INTRODUCING CONTRABAND TO A CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (through the mail or by any other means) IS A FELONY.** Any incoming mail containing controlled or unidentified substances, weapons and/or information of criminal activity will be placed into evidence. Such activity or suspected activity will be investigated for criminal prosecution.

**INMATE MAIL RESTRICTIONS AND NOTIFICATION:**

Type of item prohibited	Personal checks. (Only cashier checks and money orders are accepted and applied to the inmate’s account.)
	Polaroid type pictures.
	Food or clothing items.
	Foreign/unidentifiable substances.
	Illegal materials or substances.
Size/type of mailing items prohibited	Stamps or stickers or items glued or taped to the envelope or letter.
	Stationery or envelopes.
	Non-paper material, including corrugated cardboard.
	Photos or greeting cards padded, electronic, laminated or larger than 8”x10”.
	Envelopes with metal fasteners, padded envelopes or packages.
Publications prohibited	Hardbound books except for religious and legal, sent from publishing company or legitimate book club.
	Magazines, newspapers, soft cover books, and similar items which are not sent directly from the publisher, book club retail bookstore or recognized internet bookseller.
	Magazines or other publications that contain nudity, obscene or sexually explicit material or are considered adult entertainment.*
Content of correspondence prohibited	Gang related material.
	Pictures or drawings containing nudity, obscene or sexually explicit material.
	Correspondence that is in code.
	Correspondence from other inmates that has not been authorized by a sergeant.
	Threats of blackmail or extortion.
	Threats of physical harm against any person or threats of criminal activity.
	Information which, if communicated, would create a risk of violence and/or physical harm to any person.

Content of correspondence prohibited (cont.)	Inflammatory material or markings (promoting ridicule or scorn of any ethnic, racial, religious or other group).
	Material that threatens or is detrimental to the security, good order, or discipline of the facility.
	Plans to escape, or depiction or description of blueprints or operational details on an institution's security.
	Plans for activities in violation of facility rules, or for criminal activity.

\*Some publications containing nudity may be acceptable if the nudity is presented for the purpose of medical, educational, scientific or other similar purpose that is not contrary to the penological concerns that are the basis for this regulation.

If your mail has been rejected, you will receive notification of your rejected mail. All rejected mail items are returned to the sender, except publications which will be stored with your personal property.

You have the right to have this decision reviewed through the grievance process.

**LEGAL MAIL:**

Legal mail is considered any correspondence incoming or outgoing to any court, attorney, WA State Bar Assoc., Indeterminate Sentence Review Board, PREA Facility Coordinator, embassies and consulates, or legal advice of attorneys from established groups eg American Civil Liberties Union, Disability Rights Washington, legal services corporations or public defender associations representing you.

Legal mail must comply with all Clark County Jail mail rules with the listed exceptions:

<b>Legal Mail exceptions:</b>
Incoming and Outgoing legal mail will be inspected in your presence by Staff for contraband
You seal the outgoing legal mail after staff inspects for contraband.

- Both outgoing and incoming legal mail needs to be clearly marked as such.
- No inmate will be denied the opportunity to send out legal mail due to an inability to pay, **however, costs will be deducted from future money received in your inmate account.**
- Complete and submit a *“Declaration of Inmate Mailing to the Courts”* for **each** outgoing mail item.

## **INCOMING MAIL**

All incoming correspondence is processed through the U.S. Postal Service. We discourage cash being sent in the mail due to potential mail theft. Please encourage your family, friends or others to send a money order or cashier's check only. If you are no longer in custody, the mail is marked "Not in Custody" and is returned to sender.

### **INCOMING MAIL REQUIREMENTS**

- Incoming mail must have sender's complete name and address on the envelope otherwise it will be rejected and returned to the U.S. Postal Service or placed in your property until your release.
- The mailing address is:  
**Inmate's Name/ CFN #**  
**Clark County Jail**  
**P.O. Box 1147**  
**Vancouver, WA. 98666-1147**
- Incoming mail that does not comply with the restrictions or is considered contraband will be rejected.
- Incoming mail will be inspected to prevent the introduction of contraband into the facility.

### **OUTGOING MAIL:**

Outgoing mail will be stamped/marked "Clark County Jail Inmate Mail". Any outgoing mail not complying with the following restrictions will be returned to the inmate or discarded if inmate is unknown or released:

- Outgoing mail is to be **unsealed** and will be inspected by staff for contraband.
- Inmate name, CFN, and the Clark County Jail address must be readable and not obscured in the upper left-hand corner of the envelope or postcard.
- Addressee's complete name and address must be readable and not obscured in the center of the envelope or postcard.
- Envelopes are pre-posted and purchased through commissary. No homemade mailing containers are allowed.
- Envelopes and postcards will not have anything considered offensive or obscene.
- No contraband or food items will be sent out.

## **MAIL SUPPLIES**

You can purchase mail items through commissary. Refer to "Commissary" in this handbook. Indigent inmates can order an indigent pack which includes three (3) pre-posted postcards. **Mail item costs will be deducted from current or future money received in your inmate account.**

## LAW LIBRARY

Federal case law indicates you must have "Meaningful access to the Courts." Your attorney provides you with meaningful access to the Courts.

Access to the law library is based on the priority of your type of criminal matter or legal circumstances. You can be added to the law library list if:

- Your attorney requires your help to represent you. Your attorney can petition the court to request that the Clark County Jail authorize use of the law library kiosk.
- You are representing yourself (Pro Se) in a criminal or legal matter. Submit an electronic or paper *Inmate Request Form* to request time in the law library. You may be required to provide a copy of the court order appointing you Pro Se.

To request legal forms from the Clark County Law Library or copies of legal papers, submit a "*Request for Legal Copies or Notary Services Form*".

- Complete the form listing document title, page and number of copies. You may need to consult your attorney for the correct material.
- Copies will be made regardless of ability to pay. Write "No Funds" on the form if you are an indigent inmate.
- There is a copy fee of \$.15 for each copy page you request. **Copying costs will be deducted from current or future money received in your inmate account.**

## NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary services are a convenience, if you have an urgent matter talk with your attorney. You can request to have paperwork notarized, submit a "*Request for Legal Copies or Notary Services Form*". When a staff notary official is available, your request will be processed. **There is a notary fee and costs will be deducted from current or future money received in your inmate account.**

## RELIGION

Religious visitors can visit you during your scheduled personal visiting day and time for your pod. If you have a specific clergy member for religious and personal counseling or support, add the name to your "*Approved Visitors List Form*". If you do not, submit an electronic or paper *Inmate Request Form* stating religious preference and your request, and the county Chaplaincy will be contacted on your behalf.

## PROFESSIONAL VISITS

Professional visits are between the hours of 8:00 a.m.-10:30 p.m., except during meals. Professional visitors may include attorneys, law enforcement, correction deputies, polygraphists, private investigators and mental/medical evaluators.

Professionals, excluding law enforcement, not involved in your current criminal case may need a court order to visit you.

### **HAIR CARE**

Hair care/cuts are provided as available from inmate labor. If you are interested in getting on a list for hair care service, give your name to your pod deputy.

A licensed barber may be made available at your own expense and subject to the approval of the jail administration.

### **FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL SERVICES**

Security, food safety and nutritional content of meals are important in the Food Services Department. The food service operation is routinely inspected and for cleanliness and the proper handling of food, and usually receives the highest grade given, and higher than many restaurants.

A Registered Dietician reviews the meals nutritional content to ensure all nutrients are provided. The American Heart Association recommendations are generally followed meaning the food may have less flavor due to less fat, cholesterol, salt and sugar.

#### **FOOD SAFETY:**

- Only quality food is purchased and prepared.
- Food service operation workers
  - are in good health,
  - wash their hands often and
  - wear plastic gloves and hairnets.

#### **MEALS:**

- You will receive three (3) meals daily and
- At least one (1) will contain hot food unless circumstances prevent serving hot food.

Special diets may be approved. To request a special diet for medical reasons submit a *“Medical Request Form”*. The medical unit approves medical diet needs. To request a special diet, for religious reasons complete and submit an electronic or paper *Inmate Request Form “Special Diet Agreement”* Food Services approve special religious diet needs. **Only religions recognized by Washington State Department of Corrections may be approved.** Under no circumstances will changes in meals be made because of food likes or dislikes.



## **SERVICE PROVIDERS**

### **COMMISSARY SERVICE PROVIDER**

#### **Access Securepack**

- Website: [www.washingtonpackages.com](http://www.washingtonpackages.com)
  - Debit/credit cards accepted

### **INMATE MONEY SERVICE PROVIDER**

#### **Access SecureDeposits**

- A transaction fee charged based on amount deposited
- Kiosk in Main Jail Lobby –
  - accepts dollars and debit or credit cards
- Toll free phone: 866-345-1884
  - accepts debit or credit cards
- Website: [www.accesscorrections.com](http://www.accesscorrections.com)
  - accepts debit or credit cards

### **TELEPHONE/MESSAGING/VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER**

#### **ViaPath**

- Kiosk in Main Jail Lobby
  - accepts exact cash and debit or credit cards
- Toll free phone: 866-516-0115
  - accepts debit or credit cards
- Website: [www.gettingout.com](http://www.gettingout.com)
  - accepts debit or credit cards

# HEALTH SERVICES AND INFORMATION

We expect you to do your part in staying healthy while in custody by following sanitary procedures and a high degree of personal hygiene. Health services are available to you if needed.

## COMMUNICABLE DISEASE GUIDELINES

Communicable diseases are easily spread while in custody and are not limited to colds or viruses but include a variety of different bacteria and germs. To protect you from and prevent the spread of these diseases, a high degree of personal hygiene is needed.

Protect yourself from Communicable diseases by:
Avoid contact with anyone else's body fluids such as urine and bowel movement material, and drainage from the nose or mouth.
Wash your hands with soap and water often, especially after using the restroom.
Always avoid putting your hands in your mouth.
Contain body fluid particles of sneezes and coughs.
Not drinking from someone else's cup, sharing eating utensils, food or cigarettes with others.
Not sharing combs/brushes, toothbrushes, towels or linens with others.
Make sure you clean the razor before and after use.

## HEALTH RISK

You are at GREATEST risk if you:	To protect yourself:
Have contact with anyone else's body fluids, which include: Blood      Urine      Sperm Vaginal fluids      Breast milk Bowel movement material Drainage or fluid from wounds and nose or mouth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Do not engage in activities which cause exposure to body fluids.</li> <li>○ Always wash your hands with soap and water after exposure to wet or dry body fluids.</li> <li>○ Cover draining wounds and protect open wounds.</li> </ul>
Fail to wash your hands after using the restroom.	Always wash your hands with soap and water often after using the restroom.
Use dirty needles or share needles with others.	Do not mainline, shoot up drugs or reuse tattoo needles.
Have sex with someone who has the disease.	Limit your sexual contact and use condoms.
Have close contact or share items used in the mouth of someone with active TB.	Do not share items used by mouth. Smokes, eating utensils, etc.

## COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Health issues from getting STD's, Hepatitis, HIV, TB, and other health risk communicable diseases can have life altering consequences. Extra precautions are necessary to protect yourself from health risk communicable diseases not only in custody but after release.

## MEDICAL AND DENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Emergency care is provided twenty-four (24) hours a day. If you are having an emergency, contact staff immediately and medical will be notified. You may be responsible for medical costs incurred. If you have medical insurance, provide the information to the medical providers treating you.

For non-emergency medical services, complete and submit a "Health Care Request" seventy-two (72) hours in advance. Our medical staff provides medical attention Monday through Friday. Dental services provided weekly.

Co-pays are charged for medical services and prescriptions. All prescription co-pays are non-refundable. Indigent inmates will not be denied necessary medical care. **All co-pays will be deducted from your current and/or future money received in your inmate account.** ALL medical costs due to inmate violations maybe charged to the infracted inmate found guilty.

A copy of the health care services provided to you is kept and you may ask to see that record. Federal HIPAA laws protect these records and your private health information. All information is confidential and will not be released or disclosed without your consent except as needed to provide health care while you are in custody or unless the law authorizes it. Copies of your medical records will not be made while you are in custody, but can be requested after leaving the facility.

## MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Mental Health services are available to you. Contact staff immediately if you are having a crisis. Except in case of a crisis, complete and submit a "Health Care Request" in advance. You will usually be seen by mental health within twenty-four (24) hours.

Suicide is a permanent solution to a temporary problem. **IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW ARE THINKING ABOUT SUICIDE PLEASE IMMEDIATELY TELL ANY STAFF.**

## MEDICATION

The medications you take when out of custody will first need to be **verified**. You will need to sign a Release of Information form provided by medical. After verification, they may be prescribed for you by our practitioners, but may not be the same brand of medication you receive out of custody.

Your medication prescribed by our practitioner will be dispensed by medical staff.

You are responsible to:

- Arrive on time when called for medication.
- Line up single file and wait for your medication.
- Bring a cup of water with you.
- Show your wristband ID when requested.
- Swallow your medication in front of the medical staff, and then show that it has been swallowed.

**If you fail to follow these rules, you will be infraacted and risk the possibility of the cancellation of your medication, with doctor's approval.**

You can purchase from commissary and possess up to a one (1) week maximum combined supply of any/and all types of pain relievers such as Tylenol®, Advil®, or Motrin®. Refer to "Commissary" in this handbook.

Indigent inmates may still request pain relievers through medical. An office visit is required for Tylenol and **all co-pays will be deducted from future money received in your inmate account.**

For safety reasons inmates housed in or going to certain housing units; will not be able to order or possess pain relievers. (i.e. special needs, observation, suicide watch).

### **MEDICAL GRIEVANCE**

If your medical care by our medical staff was unsatisfactory you may grieve your medical care. Each level and written response must use the original form. All steps and timelines must be followed in order to prevent rejection of your medical grievance and exhaust all administrative remedies. Grievance timelines are as follows:

- Complete and submit an electronic or paper "*Medical Inmate Grievance Form*" within seven (7) days after service.
- After receiving your answer/response, you have forty-eight (48) hours to file your medical grievance to the next level.
- A written response at each level will be within ten (10) business days.

### **BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES**

The jail may need to take biological samples from you.

**DNA SAMPLES** - Courts may require a sample of your DNA while in custody or before your release.

**TB TEST** - The TB test is available at no cost and **is required by Infection Control policy, unless you have had a positive reaction in the past.** Inmates who refuse to submit to the TB test will be placed in Administrative Segregation and a minor or major infraction will be issued according to the severity of refusal.

**HIV TEST** - The HIV test may be available upon request.

# **INMATE PRIVILEGES**

The following are privileges you may receive based on your ability to follow jail rules, show good behavior and obey staff directions at all times.

## **KIOSKS**

Kiosks are available in most housing dayrooms and accessible to all inmates in that housing unit. The Kiosks are used for Electronic Inmate Requests and Grievances, ordering Commissary, scheduled Video Visiting and Text Messaging.

## **TABLETS**

Tablets are available in most housing dayrooms and accessible to all inmates in that housing unit. The Tablets are used for music, movies, games and telephone calls. When docked they have video and VRS capability.

## **RECREATION**

Recreation may include time spent in the dayroom, library and indoor-outdoor area. Dayroom and common area activities may include television, books, dominoes, checkers, chess and playing cards.

## **LIBRARY**

Access to the library is during your pod's recreation schedule. You are allowed to have in your cell or in your possession a total of three (3) books and three (3) magazines this includes religious material.

## **TELEVISION**

Televisions are provided in each dayroom. Television privileges are at the discretion of the pod deputy and may be given after passing daily inspection. Any tampering with the television system or parts may result in denial of television privileges. Repairs needed for standard (typical) wear will be done as quickly as possible and may take several days, but for tampering or abuse it may take several weeks.

## **VISITS**

You are not allowed to contact or visit with visitors you have a valid no contact or protection order in place. Doing so may result in disciplinary action. You are to adhere to the facility rules of behavior, failure to do so may result in disciplinary action.

## **PERSONAL VISITS**

You will not have visitors for the first seventy-two (72) hours in custody, allowing time for processing and classification procedures. Personal visiting sessions are thirty (30) minutes and are on scheduled days and times by pods. You are allowed four (4) visitors per visiting session. Visiting can be canceled without notice.

**To have visitors, you must:**

- Complete and submit the “Approved Visitor List Form” you received at booking.
- You are allowed four (4) adult visitors (eighteen (18) years of age or older), one religious visitor and six (6) juveniles on your visiting list.
- Visiting juveniles under the age of eighteen (18) and accompanying adult must be on your approved list.
- You can update your list monthly.
- Your updated visitor list must be received prior to day scheduled.

Visitor list update schedule	
C/D/A Pods	First (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Monday
E Pods, Medical, Booking	Second (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) Monday
F Pods	Third (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) Monday
G Pods	Fourth (4 <sup>th</sup> ) Monday

**Visitors must:**

- Adult visitors must have valid/current governmental photo identification to visit.
- Be eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- Visiting juveniles under the age of eighteen (18) must be accompanied by an adult who must have authority over the juvenile and will need to provide documents of authority upon request.
- Visitors determined inappropriately dressed will be denied visiting.

**VIDEO VISITING**

Video Visiting kiosks are available in most dayrooms and accessible to all inmates in that housing unit. You will use your phone identification number for video visits. Video visits are prescheduled and must be accepted by you prior to the visit. The visitor is required to have an account and internet connection and may pay a fee per visit. Video visits are timed and recorded. For more information concerning Video Visiting contact service provider.

For hearing impaired individuals, VRS is available on the Kiosks. Inform a Corrections deputy if VRI or other services are needed for your preferred communication method.

**TELEPHONES**

Telephones are provided in each dayroom and shared by all inmates. You are not allowed to receive incoming personal calls, however voice messages may be left on your phone account. Calls are collect or prepaid, a maximum of sixty (60) minutes long, and are recorded and subject to monitoring with the exception of attorney calls. Other methods, including non-service provider telephone cards, 3-

way calls and non-typical collect calls are not permitted and may result in disciplinary action.

Telephones are available following morning headcount until 10:00 pm. The telephone service provider monitors and controls telephone availability.

The telephone service provider offers discounted prepaid phone accounts and the ability to leave three (3) minute messages for inmates. Contact the service provider for more information. If you are having problems with your phone account contact customer service for help at 111-111-1111.

For hearing impaired individuals, VRS, VRI and TTY services are available. Inform a Corrections deputy if any of these services are needed for your preferred communication method. You may request use of any of these aids or services at no cost to you.

### **COMMISSARY**

You may purchase various items for your use or consumption once a week through commissary. Purchasing for others may result in disciplinary actions. Items may include candy, snacks, personal hygiene, clothing, mailing and other misc. There is a maximum dollar amount per week for commissary orders. Inmates restricted for medical, mental health or disciplinary reasons may receive limited items. Indigent inmates can order an indigent pack. You will need to keep receipts for all commissary items.

<b>Commissary Schedule</b>		
<b>Housing Unit</b>	A/E/G Pods	C/D/F Medical
<b>Delivery Day</b>	Tuesday	Wednesday
<b>Lobby Money Deadline</b>	Sunday, Noon	
<b>Online Money Deadline</b>	Sunday, Noon	

**Costs of items are deducted from your inmate account.** Indigent inmates can order an indigent pack and **costs will be deducted from future money received in their inmate account.** It is your responsibility to keep track of your account balance. Your inmate account balance is available on the kiosk. Pod deputies do not have access to that information.

Commissary orders are placed using the kiosk or tablet, no later than 10:00pm Sunday. Orders are processed early Monday morning.

Family and friends can order commissary for you through Commissary's service provider. To order they will need your name and CFN and set up an account to pay with a debit/credit card. There is a maximum dollar amount per week per

inmate. If you have restrictions the restricted items will not be available to order. If you owe child support only food items can be ordered.

Inmates released before delivery of commissary will have the amount of their order credited to their inmate account. Family/friend orders are credited back to the debit/credit card used for the order.

### **PROGRAMS**

Programs and classes are offered to provide education and self-improvement. For information about or to register, complete and submit an electronic or paper *Inmate Request Form*. Participation requirements of available programs may vary.

Programs may include;

- GED - Inmates interested in pursuing their GED. Missing two (2) GED classes in a row may drop you from the class roster.
- Women's Offender Education Program (WORTH) - Support system to raise morale and maintain contact with children and family.
- AA/NA - Support group for inmates in recovery of substance abuse or alcohol and drug addiction.

### **RE-ENTRY**

The Reentry Program can provide a "hand up" to people who want to prepare for release, change their lives, and stop cycling through the jail system. This is done by providing resource information and referrals to organizations in our community that can help with issues such as:

- Chemical Dependency
- Employment
- Housing
- Mental Health
- Parenting
- Other resources

Resources and information are available upon request. Please use an electronic or paper *"Inmate Request Form"* or contact any jail staff for more information on the Reentry Program.

### **MAIN JAIL - IN-CUSTODY WORK PROGRAMS**

Inmate work programs and trusty assignments are considered a privilege and may be available to qualified inmates. **Any inmate charged with or convicted of assaulting a staff member will not be eligible for a trusty work program.**

Staff has the authority to suspend an inmate from trusty status pending a disciplinary hearing and/or an administrative review by the Disciplinary Sergeant or designee. Inmates that are removed from trusty status may reapply after being infraction free for 60 days.



**POD TRUSTY ASSIGNMENT:**

The pod deputy selects the pod trusty. If interested, submit an electronic or paper *“Inmate Request Form”* to the pod deputy. To qualify, you must at least meet the following requirements:

- No detainer holds.
- Have at least fifteen (15) days remaining on sentence.
- No current class A felony charge or conviction.
- Medical/classification clearance.
- Display positive behavior and sanitary hygiene practices.

**JAIL TRUSTY ASSIGNMENT:**

Jail Trusty assignments are for maintenance and janitorial duties. Inmates are chosen from a computer generated list of qualified inmates. **A written request for this program is not needed.** Additional requirements may be requested by screening personnel depending on the needs of the individual program or the specific job assignment.

If you did not qualify and have had a change in your status you may submit an electronic or paper *“Inmate Request Form”* to be reconsidered. Change in status includes:

- Being medically cleared for a trusty.
- Charges have dropped to trusty qualified level.
- You are infraction free for 60 days.

**OUT OF CUSTODY WORK PROGRAMS**

**Any alternative programs such as out of custody Work Crew, Electronic Home Confinement, or Supervised Release must be court ordered by the judge before you can be screened.**

**WORK CREWS:**

If you have been court ordered TO BE SCREENED for eligibility in an OUT-OF-CUSTODY work crew, a community corrections staff member will screen you within three (3) business days. If you have not been interviewed within three (3) days you may use an electronic or paper *“Inmate Request Form”* requesting an update on your screening status. The court order for screening does not guarantee acceptance into the program. If you have been court ordered to work crew as any part of your sentence you must report to the county corrections department upon your release from jail.

## **GOOD TIME**

The good time policy allows sentence reduction of sentenced inmates unless otherwise determined by the court or offenses are ineligible. SOSA and County Work Release inmates do not earn good time. Inmates with serious violent offenses and Class A sex offenders earn reduced good time credit.

If you are eligible, you will earn good time credit provided you demonstrate good behavior throughout your stay in this facility. Qualified inmate

<b>Good Time Credit</b>	
<b>Qualified Inmate</b>	15%
<b>Reduced Qualified Inmate</b>	10%
<b>Qualified Worker (Trusty)</b>	Additional 15%

workers (Trusty) will be credited additional good time while participating in a work program. As a Trusty, you earn the maximum good time credit. Earned good time may be taken away as a result of disciplinary sanctions.

Good time is calculated in your current release date. Complete and submit an electronic or paper *"Inmate Request Form"* for unresolved questions or concerns regarding your release date calculation.

# **INMATE BEHAVIOR AND DISCIPLINE**

## **GUIDELINES AND CONSEQUENCES**

We expect that you will be responsible, display good behavior, obey jail rules and staff directions at all times. If you choose not to adhere to these expectations, you will be held accountable. This may be through the courts and/or the jail discipline system.

### **MINOR VIOLATIONS**

Minor infractions are divided into four (4) classes: 100, 200, 300, and 400 series. Staff may give a warning or an infraction for minor violations of jail rules.

<b>MINOR INFRACTIONS</b>	
999	Trusty Suspension
100	Bedding or linen used to block deputy's view of the bed or dayroom/cell area.
101	Swearing, use of vulgar language, or rude gestures.
102	Disturb the sleep of others.
103	Loan property for profit.
104	Unmade bunk when not occupied.
105	Use of any item in unsafe or unauthorized manner. Examples: Sitting on plastic chair over metal stool, leaning back on chair, using any item as a headband, using any item as a tablecloth.
106	Encourage others to commit a 100 or 200 series violation(s).
107	Save food after meals.
201	Lying to staff.
202	Inappropriate dress outside of shower area and/or in common area. Examples: without a shirt and/or pants, coveralls un-buttoned, pants too low (sagging) or showing underwear.
203	Encourage others to commit a 300 series violation(s).
204	Gambling or possess gambling paraphernalia.
300	Inappropriate or unauthorized use of county forms or documents.
301	Threaten another inmate or their property.
302	Possess contraband which poses no threat to safety or security. A non-issued or altered item.
303	Failure to perform work as instructed.
304	Refusal to clean as instructed.
305	Intentional failure to follow safety and sanitary regulations.
306	Passive Refusal to follow legitimate order of the jail.
306A	Passive Refusal to follow legitimate order of the jail which does not cause a <b>delay in court proceedings, or normal jail operations.</b>

306B	Passive Refusal to follow legitimate order of the jail which does not <b>involve physical contact between staff and other prisoners.</b>
307	Communicate with inmates in other living areas outside of authorized channels. This includes attempts to bypass the Clark County Jail mail policy. (An electronic or paper “ <i>Inmate Request Form</i> ” must be used to request an exception.)
308	Tamper with, alter or remove ID/Housing wristband. First (1 <sup>st</sup> ) offense. May be sent to a hearing if restitution is sought.
309	Disrupt or divert staff in meeting operational needs.
310	Disrespect towards staff or others.
311	In an unauthorized area or failing to return to dorm/tier lock down.
312	Out of your bunk after hours or during nightly lockdown, except to use the bathroom. (Dormitories only)
313	Write, cover or hang anything on walls, doors, windows, vents, bars, light fixtures, sprinkler heads, or beds/bunks.
314	Interfere with staff in the performance of duties.
315	Interact with other inmates after hours or during nightly lockdown. Examples: playing cards, chess, or talking.
316	Unauthorized use or possession of more than the allowed issued county property.
317	Encourage others to commit a 400 or 500 series violation(s).
318	Touch others in a non-sexual manner. (May include: hugging).
320	Unauthorized use of or take food/beverage from/in the kitchen, off food carts or from another inmate. First (1st) offense.
321	Failure to report to work on time or as scheduled.
323	Unauthorized use, transfer or possession of other’s personal or commissary items.
401	Communicate with the public outside of authorized channels. (Authorized channels are personal or video visiting, US Mail or non “3-way” type phone calls.)
402	Make a “3-way” or similar type non-typical collect call.
403	Make repeated unwanted or nuisance calls.
404	Violation of any visiting rule.

## MAJOR VIOLATIONS

Major infractions are divided into three classes: 500, 600 and 700 series. All major infractions are heard by an impartial hearing deputy and then reviewed by the discipline sergeant.

<u>MAJOR INFRACTIONS</u>	
500	Possess any smoking materials or smoking any substance.
501	Lie to staff with intention to shift blame on innocent parties.
502	Unauthorized possession or transfer of medication or medical equipment. For example; hot water bottle, crutches, and prescription medications.
503	Three (3) minor infractions constitute a major if the 3 <sup>rd</sup> infraction is within 90 days of the previous 2 minor infractions
504	Encourage others to commit a 600 series violation(s).
505	Self inflicted injury or faking a medical emergency.
506	Giving or receiving tattoos or piercings while incarcerated, and/or possession of tattoo/piercing paraphernalia
507	Harassment - any word, action, gesture or behavior that would cause discomfort and/or be offensive to a reasonable person.
508	Sexual Harassment - any word, action, gesture or specific behavior without physical contact that is sexual in nature and would cause discomfort and/or be offensive to a reasonable person.
509	Create or possess material that is gang related, sexually explicit, inflammatory or detrimental to safety/security.
510	Disruptive or distracting behavior in court that does not cause a delay of the proceedings. Example: Talk or motion to the public, etc.
511	Unruly conduct
512	Tamper with, alter, or remove inmate ID/Housing wristbands. Second (2nd) offense.
513	Destruction of issued county property. (1 <sup>st</sup> offense)
601	Any act, refusal or failure to follow any order given by staff or court official.
601A	Any act, refusal or failure to follow any order given by staff or court official which effects, delays or impedes <b>court proceedings</b> .
601B	Any act, refusal or failure to follow any order given by staff or court official which effects, delays, impedes or <b>diverts jail staff</b> .
601C	Any act, refusal or failure to follow any order given by staff or court official which effects, delays, impedes or <b>disrupts normal jail activities</b> .
602	Make or possess any intoxicant or drug.
603	Violent or aggressive behavior or conduct.
604	Strike, hit, or throw any object at another person.
605	Encourage others to commit a 700 series violation(s).

606	Possess unauthorized jewelry or valuables; or transfer, loan or give away authorized jewelry or valuables.
607	Unauthorized use of or take food/beverage from/in the kitchen, off food carts or from another inmate. (2nd) offense.
608	Obscure, cover, or darken cameras, windows, light fixtures or covers.
609	Mail or attempt to mail inmate ID or wristbands.
610	Engage, attempt or participate in circumventing jail rules involving but not limited to inmate accounts and/or discipline sanctions. Examples: use of telephone accounts, PIN, video visits, receive commissary with or without permission, while sanctioned or ineligible, lack of funds, avoid paying fees, fines, payments owed or any other reason.
611	Obtain or attempt to obtain funds or items of monetary value by fraud, deception or misrepresent another person, vendor or business. Examples: soliciting.
701	Violation (s) of law (Felony, Gross Misdemeanor or Misdemeanor)
702	Engage in a sexual act or contact with self or another.
702A	Engage in a sexual act or contact which is consensual or voluntary.
702B	Engage in a sexual act or contact against the will of another person.
702C	Engage in a sexual act or contact with another who is incapacitated due to age, temporary or permanent physical condition or temporary or permanent mental condition.
702D	Engage in a sexual act or contact through the exploitation of fear or threat of physical violence or bodily harm.
702E	Engage, participate or encourage a sexual act with self or another person for sexual voyeurism.
703	Tamper with, damage, or block any fixture or device, mounted or considered part of the facility or its structure. (This includes attempts)
703A	Safety/Security items or devices such as bars, windows, locking device, door, alarm, monitor, camera, sprinkler or any device or item.
703B	Non-safety/security items or devices such as TV and box, phones, tables or any other device or item.
704	Possess weapon, knife, tool, or any item which may constitute a threat to safety and security.
705	Flood or attempt to flood.
706	Threaten or intimidate any staff including; Corrections, employee, volunteer, contractor, professional visitor or other agency representative. (Includes attempts)
707	Malicious mischief, destruction of county property, a second offense of a 513 infraction within 90 days, or create a biohazard or disturbance.
709	Conceal information/knowledge from staff regarding facility, staff, or others safety and security. Includes escapes or escape attempts/plans.

## **DISCIPLINARY SEGREGATION**

This may be used for inmates who have violated jail rules. Inmates may be allowed a pencil, paper, hygiene items, legal and religious reading material (quantity will be limited). Inmates may be in lockdown twenty-three (23) hours per day.

## **DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS**

You are given a variety of privileges detailed in this inmate handbook. This includes good time for sentenced inmates. Privileges may be restricted or denied as disciplinary sanctions. Additional sanctions may be deemed necessary by the Sheriff, Chief Corrections Deputy, disciplinary hearing, sergeant or designee. Maximum periods are listed “per incident” and may be extended if there are multiple incidents.

<b>Possible Disciplinary Sanctions</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
Inmate work programs.	Removal from program.
Loss of good time. (Includes Trusty good time.)	Any or all accrued or potential good time.
Loss of telephone access. (except attorney calls)	Permanently revoked.
Loss of television or other electronic devices.	Permanently revoked.
Placed in disciplinary segregation or lockdown status.	Thirty (30) days.
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Restitution for damages. (A disciplinary hearing is required.)	Amount of damages charged to inmate’s account.
Medical costs for ALL injuries per incident including fights. (A disciplinary hearing is required.)	Medical costs charged to inmate’s account.
Out of cell time.	Restricted.
Suspension of commissary. (Except hygiene and mail items.)	Four (4) weeks commissary dates.
Suspension of recreation and exercise equipment.	Thirty (30) days.
Suspension of personal and video visiting privileges.(Except attorney visits.)	Thirty (30) days

## INFRACTION SANCTIONS

**Any inmate who is suspected or found to have violated any law may have criminal charges filed in the appropriate court in addition to jail disciplinary sanctions.**

If you have violated a jail rule an infraction will be written and sanctions may be imposed. You will receive a copy of the infraction after the investigation is complete.

Sanctions imposed on multiple violations during a single incident will run concurrently. Sanctions for separate discipline incidents (including minor infractions) will run consecutively. Rule violations occurring while housed at the JWC will fall under the JWC guidelines/handbook.

The following are the standard disciplinary sanctions for infractions.

		Minor Infractions				Major Infractions		
Sanctions		100 Series	200 Series	300 Series	400 Series	500 Series	600 Series	700 Series
	<b>Lockdown</b>	Twenty-four (24) hours	Forty eight (48) hours			Three to five (3-5) days	Six to ten (6-10) days	Eleven to thirty (11-30) days
Loss of	<b>Programs, Recreation Library (may include electronic devices)</b>	During lockdown						
	<b>Recreation*</b> (Lockdown Substitute)	One (1) week		Two (2) weeks			Three (3) weeks	Four (4) weeks
	<b>Commissary*</b>		One (1) week	Two (2) weeks			Three (3) weeks	Four (4) weeks
	<b>Personal and Video Visiting Privileges</b> (may include phone privileges if		First (1 <sup>st</sup> ) offense	One (1) week		Two (2) weeks	Three (3) weeks	Four (4) weeks
	Second(2 <sup>n</sup> ) offense	Two (2) weeks						
	Third (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	Three						



you are making unwanted or 3-way calls)	offense	(3) weeks			
	Fourth (4 <sup>th</sup> ) offense	Four (4) weeks			
<b>Good Time***</b>			Three to five (3-5) days	Six to ten (6-10) days	Eleven to thirty (11-30) days
<b>Trusty Status</b>			To be determined		Permanent

\*Beginning date of commissary sanctions will be established by Commissary.

\*\*The infracting deputy may substitute loss of recreation for lockdown.

\*\*\*Loss of all good time if found guilty of three (3) major infractions.

### **MAJOR INFRACTION SANCTIONS**

Disciplinary hearings will determine guilt or innocence for a major infraction. If found guilty, the hearing deputy will impose sanctions. If sanctions are outside of the standard range, the hearing deputy must give written justification. Pending a disciplinary hearing, inmates may be in lockdown at the discretion of the shift supervisor.

## **HEARING PROCESS**

The infraction/segregation report is your notice that you have violated a rule. In cases of major infractions this will also serve as your record of the hearing. Disciplinary hearings will determine guilt or innocence based on the evidence presented. Sanctions will be imposed if found guilty. Summaries of disciplinary hearings will be recorded in writing.

You may be held accountable for discipline violations from a previous incarceration or while on escape status. Example: An inmate bails out prior to or just after a disciplinary hearing and returns to jail a month later. The hearing can still be held and/or sanctions can still be imposed.

### **It is an inmate's right to attend a hearing, however:**

- If you are unruly, the hearing deputies may recess the hearing.
- If you refuse to attend the hearing, it will be held in your absence.
- If there is a safety concern for staff and/or other inmates if you attend the hearing, your right may be suspended.
- If you are incapable of representing yourself, you shall be advised of your right to be assisted by another person. This person may help and assist you if it does not compromise or violate safety or security.

### **During a hearing:**

- The misconduct report listing the charges will be read to you.
- You may admit or deny these charges.
- You may tell your side of the story and present evidence and witnesses; unless presenting such evidence or witnesses may risk the safety of staff or other inmates.
- Inmates have no right to cross-examine witnesses or confront accusers.
- **All inmates retain the right against criminal self-incrimination.** However, your silence may result in an unfavorable decision in the administrative/disciplinary hearing.
- At an administrative/disciplinary hearing, you have no right to remain silent if criminal self-incrimination is not possible.
- If you fail to answer questions or refuse to speak on your own behalf, the hearing deputy(s) can make an adverse conclusion, which can be included in the evidence relied upon in determining guilt or innocence.

## **APPEALS**

You have a right to appeal any discipline, major or minor violations. **Discipline is not subject to the grievance procedure.** Complete and submit an electronic or paper *Grievance/ Appeal Form* to appeal. Each level and written response must use the original form. All steps and timelines must be followed in order to exhaust all administrative remedies.

### **MINOR INFRACTIONS:**

1. You have within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving your infraction notice or appeal response to appeal to the next level. You must state a reason why you disagree with response.
2. Each administrative level; Sergeant/Supervisor and Commander/ Manager has five (5) business days to respond.
3. You may not appeal minor discipline past the level of Commander. The Commander's ruling is **final**.

### **MAJOR INFRACTIONS:**

1. You have within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving your infraction notice or appeal response to appeal to the next level. You must state a reason why you disagree with response.
2. Each administrative level; Sergeant/Supervisor, Commander/ Manager, and Jail Administrator has five (5) business days to respond.

***This handbook is an informational guide for inmates while in custody at the Clark County Main Jail.***

***Policies may change as needed to maintain safety and security; therefore, current policies overrule information in this handbook.***

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