2-01/010.00 - Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this manual is to provide policies and establish procedures for the operation of Branch Court holding areas used for the temporary confinement of inmates scheduled for court appearances. Inmates may not be booked by outside agencies at a Branch Court Holding Facility, except in exigent circumstances set forth in the Department Manual of Policy and Procedures (MPP) and the Emergency Operations Bureau Procedures.

This manual, in part, sets forth the standards required by the Corrections and Standards Authority for Court Holding Facilities. It encompasses the applicability of those standards in of Title 15, 1010(b), California Code of Regulations. The emergency suspension of the standards or requirements may be accomplished only at the direction of the Facility Administrator, Court Services Division. Any emergency suspension of standards lasting longer than 3 days will be reported in writing to the Corrections and Standards Authority. If a suspension of standards lasts more than 15 days, the chairperson of the Corrections and Standards Authority must approve (CCR Title 15, 1012).