

3-12/010.00 - Bailiff Responsibilities with Shelter Care Children

It is the primary responsibility of Shelter Care Workers to maintain security of minors. The bailiffs merely assist the personnel should any situation arise which would compromise the security of the court, such as a violent outbreak by the minor. It is the Department of Children Services (DCS) policy not to chase a minor that runs away from court. DCS will simply issue a runaway report. Bailiffs shall not chase minors who run from the court unless the judge orders the minor pursued and returned to the court by the bailiff. In this instance the bailiff shall activate the Court Security Alarm System or alert other deputies by radio.

Refer to the Manual of Policy and Procedures relating to foot pursuits.
