

5-03-030: Law Enforcement Interviews

PURPOSE OF ORDER:

The purpose of this order is to establish procedures for law enforcement interviews at the Century Regional Detention Facility (CRDF).

SCOPE OF ORDER:

This order shall apply to all personnel assigned to, and/or working in any capacity at CRDF.

ORDER:

Law enforcement investigators (not assigned to LASD Custody Operations) requesting to interview an inmate housed at CRDF, shall make arrangements through the on duty watch commander, or their designee.

Booking Interviews

After booking, prisoners may be interviewed by law enforcement personnel, district attorneys, district investigators, federal, and/or state law enforcement officers. Interviews shall be coordinated by the booking counter deputy and will take place in one of the booking area interview rooms. Officers shall enter through the booking center exterior entrance and shall wear visible identification.

Sheriff's Department detectives may remove Type I prisoners from the booking center and escort them to the Century Station interview rooms with the approval of the on-duty watch commander. The booking sergeant or supervising line deputy is responsible for verifying the identity of law enforcement personnel and maintaining a log of prisoners removed from and returned to the booking center.

Type II Inmate Interviews (housed at CRDF)

Law Enforcement investigators may interview an inmate inside the secured area of the facility, in booking, or through the visiting center.

Law enforcement investigators are required to:

Present their agency identification for examination

Schedule their visit in the Inmate Video Visitation System (MVS), and

Obtain the watch commanders approval for entry into the secured area of the facility

Once approved, the interviews shall occur in the area(s) designated by the on-duty watch commander, or their designee. Absent a court order, inmates shall not be transported to another facility to be interviewed.

Visiting Center Interviews

If the law enforcement officer does not need to interview the inmate inside the secured area of the facility, they

will be able to interview the inmate through the visiting center. The officer shall identify himself/herself to visiting personnel, who will coordinate the interview in the same manner as an attorney/legal visit. The hours for this type of interview are limited to the established attorney visiting hours, unless other arrangements are made through the watch commander.

Use of Recording Devices

The on-duty watch commander shall approve any electronic device brought into the secured area of CRDF by law enforcement personnel. The watch commander shall log their approval in the Watch Commander's Log.

Removal Orders

Inmates remanded to the custody of the Sheriff (per 4004 PC) shall not be removed from the jail without a removal order. All removal orders, shall be completed in adherence with CDM section 5-14/020.00, "Removal Orders," and MPP section 5-03/170.00, "Department Responsibilities."

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