

## 5-08-080 Newspapers, Books, and Periodicals

**Reference:** CDM 5-06/030.00

### **PURPOSE OF ORDER:**

The purpose of this order is to establish guidelines for the distribution of newspapers, books, and periodicals to inmates housed at Pitchess Detention Center (PDC) South Facility.

### **SCOPE OF ORDER:**

This order applies to all personnel assigned to and working at PDC South Facility.

### **ORDER:**

#### NEWSPAPERS

The Daily News and La Opinion are delivered to PDC South Facility daily. The AM utility crew shall ensure each barrack receives enough newspapers.

#### BOOKS AND PERIODICALS

Inmates shall be permitted to purchase and receive through the U.S. Mail, any book, newspaper, or periodical accepted for distribution by the U.S. Postal Service provided that:

- The publication is not available through the regular Jail Library or vendor services
- The publication is mailed directly from the publisher, bookstore or originates from an approved vendor or distributor
- The publication does not have a hard cover
- The publication does not contain metal or plastic binding
- The publication does not contain any material which:
  - Is pornographic, sexually explicit material that depicts full or partial frontal nudity and/or sexual acts
  - Depicts violent acts, violence, or cruelty to animals
  - Depicts or describes how to create weapons or defeat jail security
  - Depicts or describes how to commit crimes
  - Contains drug- or gang-related imagery or content
  - Contains any matter concerning illegal gambling or an unlawful lottery
  - The publication shall be opened and inspected for contraband according to established procedures which may include fluoroscope or x-ray type devices

Questionable publications shall be reviewed by the Unit Commander to determine their suitability.

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