0024 - WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES WITHIN CUSTODY FACILITIES

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

DETECTIVE DIVISION

SPECIAL VICTIMS BUREAU

Bureau Order No:	**0024**
Subject:	WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES WITHIN CUSTODY FACILITIES

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this bureau order is to provide guidelines for personnel assigned to the Special Victims Bureau (SVB) concerning possessing wireless communication devices within custody facilities.

POLICY:

Personnel assigned to the SVB shall not bring in wireless communication devices within custody facilities. Possession of a wireless communication device, including, but not limited to, cellular telephones, pagers, voice over Internet protocol (VOIP) phones, or wireless Internet devices, in a secured custody facility area is **prohibited**.

Per 4575(a) P.C., any person in a local correctional facility who possesses a wireless communication device as indicated above, who is not authorized to possess that item, is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than $1,000. A correctional facility is defined as any secured facility, station jail or court lockup.

Any exception to this guideline requires prior approval by Undersheriff.

Reviewed and approved by:

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Richard Ruiz, Captain

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