

5-23-046 Restrictive Housing Integrated Indoor Recreation Area



PURPOSE OF ORDER:

The purpose of this order is to establish procedures to allow Restrictive Housing inmates additional time outside of their cells in a multi-inmate, indoor recreation area at Men's Central Jail (MCJ).

SCOPE OF ORDER:

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

ORDER:

The below section applies to the [REDACTED TEXT] dayroom.

All security rules and procedures must be strictly followed to ensure the safety of staff and inmates when working with Restrictive Housing inmates.

[REDACTED TEXT]

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Operating Procedures

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The recreation deputy shall inspect the recreation area and remove all trash prior to inmates arriving, as well as following the inmates' departure from the recreation area. Special attention shall be given to any weapons or notes (kites) which may be left in the recreation area.

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[REDACTED TEXT]

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The recreation deputy shall respond to the housing location of the inmates assigned to attend indoor recreation. Assigned inmates are indicated on a pre-approved list provided by the Jail Liaison. INMATES CAN NOT BE ADDED TO A GROUP WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL BY JAIL LIAISON.

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[REDACTED TEXT] from the inmates' housing location shall assist the recreation deputy in conducting a strip search of these inmates.

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Inmates shall not be allowed to bring any property to the recreation area. The inmates shall be handcuffed to the rear and grouped together. They will be escorted to the indoor recreation area by the recreation deputy, [REDACTED TEXT] from the housing location (one shall be equipped with a TASER), and the floor SLD or SGT. Upon arriving at the indoor recreation area, an available deputy shall provide security utilizing the pre-staged pepperball gun from the dayroom booth while the recreation deputy utilizes the metal detector to search the inmates. Once cleared by the recreation deputy, the escort deputies shall unhandcuff the inmates individually and direct them to take a seat on the opposite side of the dayroom. Once all inmates are unhandcuffed and seated, the door shall be secured.

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The recreation deputy shall respond to the 1801 Control Booth. The recreation deputy shall maintain a constant visual of all inmates within the recreation area. The [REDACTED TEXT] deputy and housing location escort deputies may then resume normal operations.

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Under normal circumstances, when indoor recreation time is completed without incident, the recreation deputy shall notify the concerned housing area and indicate the inmates are ready for

pick-up. The housing area shall send [REDACTED TEXT] per inmate to the indoor recreation area. When removing the inmates from the recreation area to their housing, the inmates shall sit down in the chairs and be called one by one to the entrance of the recreation area. They shall be handcuffed one at a time, searched, and escorted back as a group to their module by the housing area deputies, the recreation deputy, and the floor SLD or SGT.

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In the event of a disturbance, a minimum of [REDACTED TEXT] assigned to Module [REDACTED TEXT] shall assist in quelling the disturbance to restore order. If the disturbance is unable to be stopped, the activation of an Emergency Response Team (ERT) should be considered.

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Employing Special Weapons

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Due to the high-risk nature of this program, special weapons will be pre-deployed to different areas surrounding the recreation area prior to inmates arriving. During circumstances when an inmate poses an imminent threat of inflicting serious injury to any person, qualified personnel may use designated special weapons without direct supervision. In all other instances, authorization from a SGT or SLD acting in the capacity of an ERT leader must be obtained prior to the use of special weapons. Deputies shall give verbal commands to the inmates, broadcast radio traffic, and follow proper force protocol in order to stop the disturbance. They shall take control of the situation while showing reverence for human life.

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Supervisors

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The [REDACTED TEXT] SLD will be staged in the [REDACTED TEXT] dayroom before and after dayroom lines.

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The below section applies to the 3100-recreation room.

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All security rules and procedures must be strictly followed to ensure the safety of staff and inmates when working with [REDACTED TEXT] inmates.

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Staffing

Sufficient deputies and one [REDACTED TEXT] SLD or SGT.

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The recreation deputy shall oversee the recreation program.

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- **[REDACTED TEXT]_____**
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Operating Procedures

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The recreation deputy shall inspect the recreation area and remove all trash prior to the inmates' arrival and following the inmates' departure from the recreation area. The recreation deputy shall pay special attention to any weapons or notes (kites) that may be left in the recreation area.

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[REDACTED TEXT]

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The recreation deputy shall respond to the housing location of the inmates assigned to attend indoor recreation. Assigned inmates are indicated on a pre-approved list provided by Jail Liaison. INMATES CAN NOT BE ADDED TO A GROUP WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL BY JAIL LIAISON.

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[REDACTED TEXT] from the inmates' housing location shall assist the recreation deputy in conducting a strip search of these inmates.

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Inmates shall not be allowed to bring any property to the recreation area.

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The inmates shall be handcuffed and grouped together. Inmates will be escorted to the indoor recreation area by the recreation deputy, [REDACTED TEXT] deputies from the housing location (one must be equipped with a TASER), and the floor SLD or SGT.

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[REDACTED TEXT]

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Under normal circumstances when indoor recreation time is completed without incident, the recreation deputy shall notify the concerned housing area and indicate the inmates are ready for pick-up. The housing area shall send [REDACTED TEXT] to the indoor recreation area. When removing the inmates from the recreation area to their Restrictive Housing module, the inmates shall be seated and called one by one to the entrance of the recreation area. They will be handcuffed one at a time, searched, and escorted to their module by the housing area deputies, recreation deputy, and the floor SLD or SGT.

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In the event of a disturbance, a minimum of [REDACTED TEXT] assigned to Module 31/33 shall assist in quelling the disturbance to restore order. If the disturbance is unable to be stopped, the activation of an Emergency Response Team should be considered.

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Employing Special Weapons

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Supervisors

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The floor SLD shall be present while escorting the inmates from the module to the recreation area and remain in the vicinity of the recreation area until the inmates return to the module.

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