

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS
JAIL INSPECTION REPORT**

Facility Name: Hardin Co. Jail

Date:

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Item	Section	Paragraph	Comments
1	275	.4	<p>Inmates shall be supervised by an adequate number of jailers to comply with state law and this chapter. One jailer shall be provided on each floor of the facility where 10 or more inmates are housed, with no less than 1 jailer per 48 inmates or increment thereof on each floor for direct inmate supervision.</p> <p>During a review of staffing rosters, it was determined that the facility is not meeting the 1:48 officer to inmate ratio at all times as required by minimum jail standards.</p>
2	279	.3	<p>Preventive maintenance, to include necessary repairs, shall be conducted to ensure a safe, secure, and sanitary facility.</p> <p>During a walkthrough of the facility, this inspector observed areas requiring maintenance. The following areas were identified:</p> <p>Detox 1 – Sink button covers missing</p> <p>N – Large bolt protruding from shower panel; shower needing cleaning</p> <p>M – Shower needing cleaning</p> <p>Q – Mirrors missing, sink #1 no cold water, sink #2 no hot water, both sinks missing button covers</p> <p>P – Sink #1 has a slow drain, sink #2 low water pressure on hot water</p> <p>H – Low water pressure on the shower, empty electrical box missing plate cover</p> <p>X – No hot water in the sink</p> <p>FF – Uncovered electrical outlet with exposed wiring, toilet leaking at base</p> <p>W – Entire shower panel loose & being held in my two screws</p> <p>302 – Toilet not working</p>
3	283	.3 (3)	<p>Provide maximum time limits not to exceed 60 days with interim response not to exceed 15 days for written replies by the grievance board.</p> <p>During a review of inmate grievances, it was determined that jail staff are not providing a 15 day interim response on every grievance as required by minimum jail standards.</p>
4	285	.1	<p>Each facility shall have and implement a written plan, approved by the Commission, for inmate physical exercise and physical recreation. Documentation of physical exercise and physical recreation shall be maintained for Commission review. Each inmate shall be allowed one hour of supervised physical exercise or physical recreation at least three days per week.</p> <p>While reviewing inmate recreation logs, it was determined that staff are not offering recreation for one (1) hour at least three (3) days a week as required by minimum jail standards.</p>

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