

TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS
JAIL INSPECTION REPORT


Facility Name: Dallas County Jail

Date: February 14-18, 2022

Item	Section	Paragraph	Comments
1	275	.1	<p>Facilities shall have an established procedure for documented, face-to-face observation of all inmates by jailers no less than once every 60 minutes. Observations shall be performed at least every 30 minutes in areas where inmates known to be assaultive, potentially suicidal, mentally ill, or who have demonstrated bizarre behavior are confined.</p> <p>During a walkthrough of the intake holdover housing area, documented observation logs of suicidal/aggressive inmates were found to be incorrectly documented when compared to video documentation. (Dallas County Jail's SOP requires 15 minute observations to occur on every inmate designated to be on Suicide Prevention status.)</p>
2	277	.2	<p>A change of clothing shall be furnished at least once a week unless work, climatic conditions, illness, or other factors necessitate more frequent exchange to assure cleanliness.</p> <p>Documentation was not available to show that inmates considered as "Crisis" were provided a change of clothing at least once a week.</p>
3	277	.8	<p>Washable items such as sheets, towels, and mattress covers shall be exchanged for clean replacements at least once each week, or more often if necessary. Blankets shall be laundered or dry cleaned at least every three months or more often if necessary.</p> <p>Documentation was not available to show that washable items such as sheets, towels, and mattress covers were provided to inmates considered as "Crisis".</p>
4	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 Dallas County Jail's North Tower North Tower, approximately 40 multiple occupancy cell doors were identified to be in disrepair compromising the safety and security of the facility.</p>


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