

TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS *File*

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July 26, 2022

The Honorable Randall Jackson
Archer County Judge
P. O. Box 458
Archer City, TX 76351-0458

and

Sheriff Jack Curd
Archer County Sheriff
P. O. Box 517
Archer City, TX 76351-0517

Dear Judge Jackson and Sheriff Curd,

Pursuant to the provisions of V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 511.011 and Title 37, Texas Administrative Code (Chapter 297, Section 5, Texas Minimum Jail Standards), you are hereby notified that the jail in your county fails to comply with minimum standards established under V.T.C.A. Local Government Code, Chapter 351, and the rules of this Commission, and that appropriate corrective measures must be initiated. A reasonable completion date for corrective measures should be set. Failure to initiate appropriate corrective action may cause a remedial order to be issued and enforced, or other appropriate action taken. **In accordance with Chapter 297, Section 6, Texas Minimum Jail Standards, please notify this agency in writing within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice as to actions initiated.**

The attached page(s) indicate minimum standards violated, corrective measures required, and date by which corrective measures must be initiated. Please reference the Inspection Requirements Review and Jail Inspection Report issued on July 21, 2022, detailing the specific issues that resulted in the issuance of this notice of non-compliance.

Issued this 26th day of July 2022
Texas Commission on Jail Standards

By 
Brandon S. Wood, Executive Director

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Michael L. Gravitt, TCJS Inspector

Facility Name: Archer County Jail

Date:

July 21, 2022

Chapter	Title	Comments
259	New Construction	Conducted a walk through inspection of the facility.
261	Existing Construction	Not applicable.
263	Life Safety	Inspected life safety equipment and conducted and observed emergency drill. Reviewed documentation. Conducted staff interviews. Deficiency noted, see report. Technical assistance provided - During the walk through of the facility, the fire panel was found to be in trouble mode. The issue was traced to a duct detector and a contractor was contacted to repair the system. The contractor was unable to repair the system and clear the trouble. During the inspection the system did function during the fire drill. Follow-up action required - Administration will continue to work with the contractor to have the system repaired. Administration will notify this inspector once repairs have been completed and a re-inspection of the facility will be scheduled and conducted.
265	Admission	Reviewed a random sample of 9 inmate files. Interviewed staff. Reviewed policy.
267	Release	Reviewed a random sample of 2 inmate files. Interviewed staff.
269	Records/Procedures	Reviewed policy and documentation. Interviewed staff and reviewed ADA compliance evaluation.
271	Classification	Reviewed a random selection of 9 inmate files. Reviewed staff training records. Reviewed internal classification audits. Reviewed policy. Interviewed staff.
273	Health Services	Reviewed a random selection of 9 files. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed training records. Reviewed policy. Technical assistance provided - During the review of facility records, it was determined that Archer County is housing inmates for Grayson County under contract. Grayson County is a facility over 100 beds which requires Archer County to have an approved Tuberculosis Plan with The Department of State Health Services. Archer County currently does not have an approved Tuberculosis Plan. Issue was addressed with administration that in order to continue housing inmates for facilities over 100 beds, a Tuberculosis Plan will have to be submitted and approved to The Department of State Health Services. Follow-up action required - Administration will immediately began the process of obtaining an approved Tuberculosis Plan with The Department of State Health Services and will notify this inspector once the application has been submitted. Upon receiving the approval letter from The Department of State Health Services, administration will scan and mail the letter to this inspector.
275	Supervision	Reviewed a random sample of 9 officer TCOLE certification records. Reviewed officer documentation. Interviewed staff. Deficiency noted, see report. Technical assistance provided - During the review of TCOLE licensing, two staff members were noted to have expired temporary licenses. Jailer Carl Keener's temporary license expired on September 28, 2021 and Jailer Roy Dyer's temporary license expired on March 16, 2022. Administration advised that both staff members have been working as jailers within the facility following the expiration of the temporary licenses. Administration was advised that both staff members are not allowed to work in a jailer capacity until valid licenses are issued by TCOLE. Follow-up action required - Administration will work to correct the licensing issue with jailer Keener and Dyer and notify this inspector once a valid license is established. A check of TCOLE records will then be conducted to verify a valid license.
277	Personal Hygiene	Conducted a facility walk through. Reviewed facility schedule.
279	Sanitation	Conducted a facility walk through. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed policy.
281	Food Service	Conducted walk through inspection in kitchen area. Interviewed staff. Reviewed documentation.
283.1	Discipline	Reviewed 15 disciplinary hearing records. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed policy. Reviewed inmate
283.3	Grievance	Reviewed 15 inmate grievance/complaints. Reviewed policy. Interviewed staff and inmates.
285	Exercise	Walk through of exercise area conducted. Reviewed documentation. Interviewed staff and inmates.
287	Education/Library	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
289	Work Assignments	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.1	Telephone	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.2	Correspondence	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.3	Commissary	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.

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291.4	Visitation	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.5	Religious Practices	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
xxx	Variances	Not applicable.
xxx	Remedial Orders	Not applicable.
xxx	Complaints	Not applicable.
xxx	CCQ	CCQ standards are being met by the facility as required by TLETS.

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NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE ARCHER COUNTY JAIL

July 26, 2022

Please reference the Inspection Requirements Review and Jail Inspection Report issued on July 21, 2022, detailing the specific issues that resulted in the issuance of this notice of non-compliance.

Minimum Standards Violated:	Corrective Measure Required	Date Corrective Action Must Be Completed
263.55	Inspections, Maintenance, Testing. All life safety equipment shall be inspected, maintained, and tested by persons qualified to do so (whether under vendor contract, by state or private agency or otherwise) in order that such equipment shall be safe, secure, and fully operative at all times. On the day of the inspection, the facility fire panel was found to be in trouble mode and the trouble could not be cleared.	Upon receipt of this notice.
275.2	Personnel employed or appointed as jailers of county jails or personnel appointed, employed, or assigned to directly supervise jailers shall be licensed as per the requirements of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement under the provisions of Part 7 of this title. During the review of staff licensing, it was determined that two staff members do not possess a valid TCOLE Jailers License. The identified staff members have actively worked within the facility following the expiration of temporary licenses.	Upon receipt of this notice.

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