

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

Facility Name: Gonzales County Jail

Date:

January 19, 2023

Item	Section	Paragraph	Comments
263	.41		<p>Training of staff for emergency situations shall be provided immediately upon employment and no less than each calendar quarter for all jail personnel to include fire, emergency, evacuation drills, and location and use of equipment.</p> <p>Records indicated that not all staff received the necessary quarterly fire/scba training.</p>
263	.55		<p>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.</p> <p>On December 12, 2022, the fire panel was red tagged indicating that it was faulty and/or impaired. On January 11, 2023, the panel was serviced and received a white tag indicating the repairs from the red tag, but the system was not inspected to show that it was fully operational.</p>
263	.56		<p>Emergency power equipment shall be tested at least once each week and the electric load transferred to the circuits at least monthly.</p> <p>Documentation of emergency power equipment tests indicated that no tests were conducted from July 14, 2022 through September 11, 2022.</p>
273	.6	(3)	<p>A documented observation of the inmate shall be conducted every 15 minutes, at a minimum. The observations should include an assessment of the security of the restraints and the circulation to the extremities.</p> <p>Documentation of use of restraints revealed that a inmate was observed every 20 minutes while restrained.</p>


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