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NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE BROOKS COUNTY JAIL

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Please reference the Inspection Requirements Review and Jail Inspection Report issued on August 30, 2023, 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	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. Inspection of the fire panel revealed that it was "red tagged" on 7/28/2023 indicating that there is a faulty smoke detector in the property storage area, resulting in the system remaining in trouble mode.	Upon receipt of this notice.
273 .5 (a)(1)	Training. Provisions for staff training (including frequency and duration) on the procedures for recognition, supervision, documentation, and handling of inmates who are mentally disabled and/or potentially suicidal. Supplemental training should be provided to those staff members responsible for intake screening. Jail Administration was unable to produce documentation that staff had received two (2) hours of suicide/mental health training in 2022 or 2023 in accordance with the facility's operational plan.	Upon receipt of this notice.

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A person appointed to the position of Jail Administrator after March 1, 2018, is required to satisfy the requirements of the Jail Administrator Examination as required by Texas Government Code Sec. 511.00905. A person appointed as Jail Administrator must satisfy this requirement within 180 days of his/her appointment. If the person appointed as jail administrator is unable to satisfy the requirements of the examination, he/she shall be immediately removed and may not serve as jail administrator until he/she satisfies the examination requirements of this section.

The Jail Administrator was appointed in January of 2023 and has not taken and passed the required examination as of August 30, 2023.

Upon receipt of this notice.