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NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE LIBERTY COUNTY JAIL

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Please reference the Inspection Requirements Review and Jail Inspection Report issued on January 8, 2024, 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
259.133	Single cells shall contain not less than 40 square feet of clear floor space. Each cell shall have one bunk, toilet, lavatory, table and seating separate from the bunk. During the investigation of complaint 35173, it was discovered that the Liberty County Jail had housed three (3) inmates in one single cell.	Upon receipt of this notice.
259.138	One or more holding cells shall be provided to hold inmates pending intake, processing, release, or other reason for temporary holding. Inmates shall not be held for more than 48 hours and the cell shall include the following features... During the investigation of complaint 35173, it was discovered that the Liberty County Jail had housed inmates in holding cells for more than 48 hours.	Upon receipt of this notice.
271.1(d)	Minimum and maximum custody level inmates shall be housed separately. All other custody level inmates should be housed separately. When under direct, visual supervision, inmates of different custody levels may simultaneously participate in work and program activities; During the investigation of complaint 35173, it was discovered that the Liberty County Jail had housed inmates classified as minimum custody with inmates classified as maximum custody.	Upon receipt of this notice.

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