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NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE MITCHELL COUNTY JAIL

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Please reference the Inspection Requirements Review and Jail Inspection Report issued on October 31, 2025, 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
273(a)(1)	Each sheriff/operator shall develop and implement a mental disabilities/suicide prevention plan, in coordination with available medical and mental health officials, approved by the Commission by March 31, 1997. The plan shall address the following principles and procedures: 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;. During the review of mental disabilities/suicide prevention training, staff were only able to provide documentation indicating 3 of 11 staff members received the training during CY2024. As of the close of this inspection, no jailers have completed training for CY2025. Staff were advised 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, shall be conducted in accordance with minimum standards.	Upon receipt of this notice.

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Jailers Training and Licensing. 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. Personnel employed or appointed as jailers or personnel appointed, employed, or assigned to directly supervise jailers at facilities operated under vendor contract with a county or city 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 TCOLE Jailer Licenses, it was determined that seven staff members were performing jailer duties without holding a valid license. . The inspector also coordinated with TCOLE, which conducted a licensing audit to further assess non-compliance.

Upon receipt of this notice

285.1

Physical Exercise. Each facility shall have and implement a written plan, approved by the Commission, for inmate physical exercise and physical recreation. Documentation of physical exercise and physical recreation shall be maintained for Commission review. Each inmate shall be allowed one hour of supervised physical exercise or physical recreation at least three days per week

During the review of recreation logs, staff could not produce documentation indicating inmates were offered recreation during the month of September 2025 as requested by this inspector.

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