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NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE DUVAL COUNTY JAIL

December 31, 2025

Please reference the Inspection Requirements Review and Jail Inspection Report issued on December 30, 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
273.5(b)	Screening Instrument. An approved mental disabilities/suicide prevention screening instrument shall be completed immediately on all inmates admitted. During the review of documentation received after a custodial death, it was determined the screening form for suicide and medical/mental/developmental impairments was not completed immediately upon intake. However, once it was completed, the inmate was not placed on suicide watch as indicated by the answer given by the inmate to one of the questions.	Upon receipt of this notice.
275.1	Every facility shall have the appropriate number of jailers at the facility 24 hours each day. Facilities shall have an established procedure for documented, face-to-face observation of all inmates by jailers no less than once every 60 minutes. Observation shall be performed at least every 30 minutes in areas where inmates known to be assaultive, potentially suicidal, mentally ill, or who have demonstrated bizarre behavior are confined. There shall be a two-way voice communication capability between inmates and jailers, licensed peace officers, bailiffs, and designated staff at all times. Closed circuit television may be used, but not in lieu of the required personal observation. Electronic sensors or cameras capable of recording the required personal observations of inmates in high-risk cells or	Upon receipt of this notice.

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To empower local government to provide safe, secure and suitable local jail facilities through proper rules and procedures while promoting innovative programs and ideas

groups of cells shall be installed no later than August 31, 2020

A review of video and documentation provided after a custodial death revealed that rounds were not conducted as indicated on the written rounds log. In addition, rounds exceeded not only the 30 minute mandated time frame but also the 60 minute mandated time frame on at least three (3) occasions.

