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NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE LEON COUNTY JAIL

September 29, 2026

Please reference the Inspection Requirements Review and Jail Inspection Report issued September 16, 2026, detailing the specific issues that resulted in the issuance of this notice of non-compliance.

Minimum Corrective
Standards Measure
Violated: 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.

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notice

The Ansul Hood Suppression System was found to be red tagged due to the following deficiencies: No gas shutoff present, Excessive grease and debris loading within the plenum, nozzles were not properly aligned, and no electrical shutoff present. Additionally, the standpipe system located in the sally port was found to be yellow tagged for the following deficiencies: Pressure gauges were expired, alarm bell was inoperable, and required five-year maintenance inspection was overdue. All life safety equipment must be maintained in proper working order and remain in compliance with applicable standards. The Ansul Hood and Stand Pipe were repaired the following day 09/17/2026 and kitchen was approved to continue with regular meal service.

279.1(1) (1) a regular daily schedule for the work and inspections necessary to keep the facility clean; which schedule shall be assigned and supervised by jailers who have the responsibility for keeping the facility clean and making regular sanitation inspections;

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During the facility walk-through, it was observed that the sanitation conditions within the male inmate worker living areas were below acceptable standards. Excessive amounts of nuisance contraband were found in and around inmate bunks. Additionally, corrosive chemicals were discovered within the housing area, creating a potential safety concern. An excessive quantity of uniforms and linens was also observed, contributing to clutter and poor sanitation practices.

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