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06/24/2019
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Purpose
The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the control and disposition of contraband in DJC facilities.

Policy
The Division of Juvenile Corrections shall ensure contraband is identified, confiscated, documented, stored, and disposed of in a consistent manner using sound security practices.

References
Wisconsin Administrative Code Ch. DOC 373 – Youth Conduct in Type 1 Secured Correctional Facilities
Wisconsin Administrative Code Ch. DOC 376
Wisconsin Administrative Code Ch. DOC 396 – Type 2 Secured Correctional Facilities
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DJC Policy 300.04.06 – Youth Mail
DJC Policy 300.05.20 – Youth Personal Property
DJC Policy 300.05.19 – Protection, Gathering and Preservation of Evidence
DJC Policy 500.80.12 – Pharmaceutical Recycling and Waste management

Definitions, Acronyms, and Forms
Contraband – Any item which youth may not possess; is not authorized by the facility; is not state property and is on the facility grounds (or in an assigned area of youth on work release/special projects) but not in the possession of any person; comes into a youth’s possession through unauthorized channels or which is not on or is used as evidence for a disciplinary hearing and deemed contraband by a supervisor or designee.
DJC – Division of Juvenile Corrections
DOC – Department of Corrections
Procedure

I. Seizure of Contraband
   A. Any staff who reasonably believes that an item is contraband may seize the item
      whether or not the staff believes a violation has occurred.
   B. Items believed to be contraband shall be confiscated and will require a DOC-1266 and a
      J-Tracker Incident Report to be completed.
   C. All sharps (needles, razors, homemade weapons, etc.) shall be retained as evidence per
      facility procedure. If the contraband item is deemed to pose a health, sanitation or safety
      risk, photographs shall be taken of the contraband (e.g., fecal matter, medication,
      intoxicants).
      1. Any photographs shall be labeled using the corresponding J-Tracker incident report number and shall be maintained as evidence per facility procedure.
      2. These items shall be disposed of consistent with this policy.
   D. Property which is not determined to be contraband shall be returned to the youth or
      rightful owner.
   E. Property belonging to the facility shall be returned to service if in a usable condition.

II. Retention and Storage of Contraband
   A. Contraband items shall be logged and tracked on DOC-2477.
   B. Items shall be stored in a secure contraband storage area.
   C. Retention of contraband items
      1. General contraband items shall be retained for 120 days when a disciplinary
         appeal has been filed.
      2. If an appeal has not been filed, contraband may be disposed of no earlier than 20
         days after the date of the hearing decision being delivered to the youth.
         a. Prior to disposal, a photograph shall be taken of the items.
         b. Photographs shall be labeled with the corresponding J-Tracker incident report number.
         c. Documents and photographs shall be retained in compliance with the applicable RDA.
         d. Contraband to be used as evidence in outside prosecution shall be
            maintained per facility procedure until such time as they are no longer
            necessary for use in the criminal prosecution. If the contraband item is
            deemed to pose a health, sanitation or safety risk, photographs shall be
            taken of the contraband (e.g., fecal matter, medication, intoxicants).

III. Disposition/Disposal of Contraband
A. If the disciplinary process has been completed, the disposal of item(s) shall be in accordance with this policy. Disposal shall be as follows:

1. Currency/cash. All confiscated money shall be deposited in the State’s general fund.

2. Checks, U.S. Bonds, and other Securities
   a. Checks and other negotiable instruments shall be returned to the issuer. If it is not possible to determine an address for the issuer of the check, the check shall be destroyed.
   b. Upon proof of ownership and the source of a U.S. Bond or other security, the item shall be held in a designated facility location until it can be returned to the owner.
   c. If the owner is a youth, it shall be held until their release.

3. Property
   a. If there is no J-Tracker incident report number, the contraband may be disposed of or sent out at the youth’s expense in accordance with facility procedure.
   b. The decision of how the property is processed shall be made by the Superintendent, Regional Chief, or designee.

4. Controlled, intoxicating, foreign and/or hazardous substances shall be disposed of by the facility or given to law enforcement for use as evidence or for disposal.

5. Weapons and ammunition not required for use as evidence may be retained for training purposes or disposed of by the facility. Firearms or explosives shall be turned over to law enforcement agencies for disposal.

6. Facilities shall develop a procedure for disposal of sharps (e.g., razors, syringes, needles.)

7. Medication taken as contraband shall be delivered to HSU for disposal in accordance with DJC Policy 500.80.12.

8. State property may be returned to service if in usable condition.

9. Contraband found through the inspection of parcels, packages, and any other incoming or outgoing items shall be disposed of in accordance with DJC Policy 300.05.07.

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    DJC Leadership Team
Division of Juvenile Corrections Facility/Region Implementation Procedure

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REFERENCES

DEFINITIONS, ACRONYMS, AND FORMS

FACILITY PROCEDURE

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RESPONSIBILITY

I. Staff

II. Youth

III. Other