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3 Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Municipal Jail Facilities

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6 CHAPTER 2945

7 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

8 MUNICIPAL JAIL FACILITIES

- 9 2945.0100 DEFINITIONS.
- 10 Subpart 1. Scope. For the purpose of this chapter, the
- 11 following terms have the meanings given them.
- 12 Subp. 2. Administrative segregation. "Administrative
- 13 segregation" means the physical separation of prisoners prone to
- 14 escape, prone to assault staff or other prisoners, likely to
- 15 need protection from other prisoners or themselves, or
- 16 determined to be mentally deficient and in need of special care.
- 17 Subp. 3. Approved capacity. "Approved capacity" means the
- 18 maximum number of prisoners that any cell, room, unit, building,
- 19 facility, or combination of them is approved for in compliance
- 20 with the standards.
- 21 Subp. 4. Average daily population. "Average daily
- 22 population" means the average number of prisoners residing daily
- 23 during the last calendar year. Prisoners on furlough or
- 24 hospitalized are excluded.
- 25 Subp. 5. Class I municipal holding facility. "Class I
- 26 municipal holding facility" means an adult detention facility
- 27 operated by a municipal government used to confine prisoners for
- 28 more than 48 hours.
- 29 Subp. 6. Class II municipal holding facility. "Class II
- 30 municipal holding facility" means an adult detention facility
- 31 operated by a municipal government used to confine prisoners for
- 32 up to 48 hours excluding weekends and holidays.
- 33 Subp. 7. Class III municipal holding facility. "Class III
- 34 municipal holding facility" means an adult detention facility
- 35 operated by a municipal government used to confine prisoners for

- 1 up to 16 hours.
- 2 Subp. 8. Class IV municipal holding facility. "Class IV
- 3 municipal holding facility" means an adult detention facility
- 4 operated by a municipal government used to confine prisoners for
- 5 up to four hours.
- 6 Subp. 9. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the
- 7 commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Corrections.
- 8 Subp. 10. Controlled substance. "Controlled substance"
- 9 means a drug, substance, or immediate precursor in Schedules I
- 10 to V of Minnesota Statutes, section 152.02. The term does not
- 11 include distilled spirits, wine, malt beverages, intoxicating
- 12 liquor, or tobacco.
- 13 Subp. 11. Court holding facilities. "Court holding
- 14 facilities" means those areas where persons are held in
- 15 conjunction with a court appearance. Court holding facilities
- 16 may be secure but are nonresidential in design and persons are
- 17 not normally held beyond four hours.
- 18 Subp. 12. Custody personnel. "Custody personnel" means
- 19 those staff members or employees who are responsible for the
- 20 custody and supervision of prisoners.
- 21 Subp. 13. Department of Corrections; department.
- 22 "Department of Corrections" or "department" means the Minnesota
- 23 Department of Corrections.
- 24 Subp. 14. Emergency. "Emergency" means a significant
- 25 incident or disruption of normal facility procedures, policies,
- 26 routines, or activities arising from fire, riot, natural
- 27 disaster, suicide, assault, or medical emergency.
- Subp. 15. Existing facility. "Existing facility" means a
- 29 facility used for detention and confinement of prisoners before
- 30 the effective date of this chapter.
- 31 Subp. 16. Facility administrator. "Facility administrator"
- 32 means the individual who has been delegated the responsibility
- 33 and authority for the administration and operation of a local
- 34 facility.
- 35 Subp. 17. Holding cell. "Holding cell" means a cell or
- 36 room in a holding facility used to hold one or more persons

- 1 temporarily while awaiting release, booking, court appearance,
- 2 transportation, or interrogation.
- 3 Subp. 18. Inspection. "Inspection" means an on-site
- 4 assessment or existing conditions made to determine the
- 5 facility's compliance with this chapter.
- 6 Subp. 19. Jail. "Jail" means a secure adult detention
- 7 facility used to confine sentenced prisoners for a time not to
- 8 exceed one full year per conviction, adult pretrial and
- 9 presentenced detainees indefinitely, and juveniles up to limits
- 10 prescribed by Minnesota statute and commissioner approval.
- 11 Subp. 20. Legend drug. "Legend drug" means a drug
- 12 required by federal law to bear the following statement:
- 13 "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without
- 14 prescription."
- Subp. 21. Local facility. "Local facility" means any
- 16 city, county, city and county, or multiple county corrections
- 17 facility.
- 18 Subp. 22. Mandatory. "Mandatory" means the rule must be
- 19 met by the facility in order for the facility to be licensed.
- 20 Subp. 23. Maximum security areas. "Maximum security areas"
- 21 means areas that provide the greatest degree of physical
- 22 security for the control and separation of prisoners.
- 23 Subp. 24. Medicine. "Medicine" means a remedial agent
- 24 that has the property of curing, preventing, treating, or
- 25 mitigating diseases, or that is used for that purpose. For the
- 26 purpose of this chapter, medicine includes legend and nonlegend
- 27 drugs.
- Subp. 25. Minimum security areas. "Minimum security areas"
- 29 means areas that provide functional living accommodations with a
- 30 nominal reliance on physical security for the control and
- 31 management of prisoners.
- 32 Subp. 26. Municipal police facilities. "Municipal police
- 33 facilities" means police facilities including an administrative
- 34 processing area used to temporarily detain persons for up to six
- 35 hours. Municipal police facilities are specifically designed to
- 36 be nonresidential in nature, have either audio or visual

- l capability, would normally not be locked except for routine
- 2 security reasons, and would be used only long enough for
- 3 identification, investigation, transfer arrangements, or release
- 4 to a responsible person.
- 5 Subp. 27. Nonresidential. "Nonresidential" means that the
- 6 holding area or room is not designed to be lived in.
- 7 Nonresidential space would not typically include a bed, toilet,
- 8 and wash basin.
- 9 Subp. 28. Policy. "Policy" means a statement declaring
- 10 mission, purpose, and ideological position.
- 11 Subp. 29. Prisoner. "Prisoner" means an individual, adult
- 12 or juvenile, detained or confined in a local facility.
- Subp. 30. Procedure. "Procedure" means a written
- 14 statement establishing the action plan to implement policy.
- Subp. 31. Rule. "Rule" means that which is defined by
- 16 Minnesota Statutes, section 14.02, subdivision 4.
- 17 Subp. 32. Substantially conform. "Substantially conform"
- 18 means a compliance rating of 100 percent on items labeled
- 19 mandatory and a rating of 70 percent compliance on all other
- 20 items in this chapter.
- 21 Subp. 33. Undue hardship. "Undue hardship" means the
- 22 financial costs are not warranted when weighed against the
- 23 benefits derived.
- Subp. 34. Variance. "Variance" means the waiver of a
- 25 specific rule for a specified period of time.
- 26 2945.0110 INTRODUCTION.
- Minnesota Statutes, section 642.09, provides that the
- 28 sheriff of a county in which a municipality maintains a lockup
- 29 shall inspect the lockup once a year, with reference to its
- 30 security and administration, and make a written report to the
- 31 commissioner on blanks furnished by the commissioner and deliver
- 32 a copy of the report to the governing body of the municipality
- 33 maintaining the lockup.
- Minnesota Statutes, section 241.021, subdivision 1,
 - 35 provides that the commissioner adopt rules establishing minimum

- 1 standards for all correctional facilities throughout the state,
- 2 whether public or private, established and operated for the
- 3 detention and confinement of persons detained or confined in
- 4 them according to law except to the extent that they are
- 5 inspected or licensed by other state regulating agencies. The
- 6 rules that follow are minimum standards for municipal lockup
- 7 facilities. Facilities that house males and females must
- 8 provide comparable care for each group. Facilities housing
- 9 juveniles must meet the special criteria established for that
- 10 group. All inspections made by the sheriff must be according to
- 11 the standards in this chapter and must compare the care level
- 12 for male and female groups.
- 13 2945.0120 INTENDED USE NONCONFORMANCE; LIMITATIONS OF RULES.
- 14 Subpart 1. Intended use. A facility must be used only for
- 15 classifications for which it is intended. These rules do not
- 16 regulate municipal police facilities or court holding rooms.
- 17 A. Class I municipal holding facilities must meet the
- 18 standards of chapter 2910.
- 19 B. Class II municipal holding facilities must meet
- 20 all standards in chapter 2945.
- 21 C. Class III municipal holding facilities must meet
- 22 all standards except those waived as Class III municipal holding
- 23 facilities.
- D. Class IV municipal holding facilities must meet
- 25 all standards except those waived as Class IV municipal holding
- 26 facilities.
- Subp. 2. Nonconformance, unsafe, unsanitary, or illegal
- 28 conditions. When conditions do not substantially conform to
- 29 this chapter or where specific conditions endanger the health,
- 30 welfare, or safety of prisoners or staff, the commissioner shall
- 31 condemn the holding facility by written order and it shall not
- 32 be further used while the order is in force according to
- 33 Minnesota Statutes, section 642.10.
- 34 2945.0130 VARIANCES.
- 35 Subpart 1. Variances; general. The granting of a variance

- 1 under this part does not constitute a precedent for any other
- 2 adult detention facility. The granting and denial of all
- 3 variances shall be in writing and made within 30 days of the
- 4 request for a variance. The variance will be granted by the
- 5 commissioner if, in the licensing procedure or enforcement of
- 6 the standards in this chapter:
- 7 A. requirements for an adult detention facility to
- 8 strictly comply with one or more of the provisions will result
- 9 in undue hardship or jeopardize the health, safety, security,
- 10 detention, or well-being of the residents or facility staff;
- 11 B. the adult detention facility is otherwise in
- 12 substantial conformity with the standards contained in this
- 13 chapter or making satisfactory progress toward substantial
- 14 conformity;
- 15 C. granting of the variance will not preclude the
- 16 facility from making satisfactory progress toward substantial
- 17 conformity with this chapter;
- D. the granting of the variance will not leave the
- 19 interests and well-being of the residents unprotected; and
- 20 E. the facility will take action to comply with the
- 21 general purpose of the standards to the fullest extent possible.
- 22 Subp. 2. Emergencies. The facility administration may
- 23 declare a state of emergency suspending those rules affected by
- 24 the emergency if to not suspend the rules would adversely affect
- 25 the health, security, safety, or well-being of the persons
- 26 confined or the facility staff.
- The facility administrator shall immediately notify the
- 28 sheriff of the county and the Department of Corrections of an
- 29 emergency that results in the suspension of a rule. A formal
- 30 written report must follow within 72 hours.
- 31 No suspension of rules because of an emergency declared by
- 32 a facility administrator may exceed seven days unless the
- 33 administrator obtains the approval of the commissioner for a
- 34 variance to the rules and the variance is necessary for the
- 35 protection of the health, security, safety, or well-being of the
- 36 staff or the persons detained or confined in the institution

- 1 where the emergency exists.
- 2 PERSONNEL STANDARDS
- 3 2945.0500 MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.
- 4 Employees who work in a facility must have a medical
- 5 examination on record.
- 6 2945.0510 STAFF RECRUITMENT.
- 7 The selection, appointment, and promotion of facility
- 8 personnel must be based on assessed ability. There must not be
- 9 discrimination on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, or
- 10 national origin (mandatory). Custody personnel must be a
- 11 minimum of 18 years old. Recruitment standards must set forth
- 12 the basic requirements of ability, preparatory experience,
- 13 physical condition, and character, as well as those qualities
- 14 that may disqualify.
- 15 2945.0520 EXTRA DUTY.
- No employee may be scheduled for duty for two consecutive
- 17 work periods except where unusual circumstances require
- 18 reasonable and prudent exception.
- 19 2945.0530 STAFFING REQUIREMENTS.
- 20 Subpart 1. Staffing plan. The facility administrator
- 21 shall prepare and retain a staffing plan indicating the
- 22 personnel assigned to the facility and their duties. For the
- 23 purposes of this rule, a work day is considered an eight-hour
- 24 shift.
- Subp. 2. Staff person in charge (mandatory). There must
- 26 be a designated staff person in charge of the facility. In the
- 27 absence of the regular facility supervisor, a staff person must
- 28 be designated in charge.
- 29 Subp. 3. Condition of staff person on duty (mandatory).
- 30 No person may be detained without a staff person on duty,
- 31 present in the facility, awake and alert at all times, and
- 32 capable of responding to the reasonable needs of the prisoner.
- 33 Subp. 4. Opposite sex policy (mandatory). There must be a
- 34 policy consistent with state statute that provides procedures to

- 1 be followed by staff supervising prisoners of the opposite sex.
- Subp. 5. Assistance for dispatcher/custody staff person
- 3 (mandatory). In facilities that use the dispatcher/custody
- 4 position as sole supervision, the dispatcher/custody staff
- 5 person must be assisted on duty by another custody staff person
- 6 when the jail population exceeds 15. This requirement applies
- 7 only during shifts when prisoners are not in lockup status.
- 8 Subp. 6. Reporting incidents and responding to emergencies.
- 9 (mandatory). A combination of staff and physical plant
- 10 resources shall provide the capability of reporting incidents
- 11 and responding to emergencies.
- 12 Subp. 7. Ancillary functions. Personnel must be provided
- 13 to perform ancillary functions such as transportation or court
- 14 escort to the extent necessary to ensure security and
- 15 supervision of prisoners.
- 16 STAFF TRAINING
- 17 2945.1000 STAFF TRAINING PLAN.
- 18 Each facility administrator shall develop and implement a
- 19 training plan for the orientation of new employees and
- 20 volunteers and provide for continuing in-service training
- 21 programs for all employees and volunteers. The training plans
- 22 must be documented and describe curriculum, methods of
- 23 instruction, and objectives. In-service training plans must be
- 24 prepared annually, and orientation training plans shall be
- 25 reviewed and revised to changing conditions.
- A training program must be established in cooperation with
- 27 a responsible health authority and with the facility
- 28 administrator to provide instruction in the following areas:
- A. the ability to respond to health-related
- 30 situations within four minutes;
- 31 B. recognition of signs and symptoms, and knowledge
- 32 of action required in potential emergency situations;
- 33 C. administration of first aid and cardiopulmonary
- 34 resuscitation (CPR);
- 35 D. methods of obtaining assistance;

- 1 E. recognition of signs and symptoms of mental
- 2 illness, retardation, emotional disturbance, and chemical
- 3 dependency;
- F. procedures for patient transfers to appropriate
- 5 medical facilities or health care providers; and
- G. prevention of communicable diseases.
- 7 2945.1010 PART-TIME AND RELIEF STAFF.
- 8 Part-time and relief staff shall complete orientation
- 9 training appropriate to the facility's classification.
- 10 STAFF DEPLOYMENT, JOB DESCRIPTIONS, WORK ASSIGNMENTS,
- 11 POST ORDERS, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
- 12 2945.1600 GUIDELINES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.
- 13 Each facility supervisor shall develop written guidelines
- 14 that define responsibilities, duties, and qualifications of the
- 15 persons working in the detention facility.
- 16 2945.1610 POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUALS.
- Policies and procedures concerning the facility's operation
- 18 must be made available to employees at the time of employment
- 19 and as revised after that time.
- 20 RECORDS AND REPORTS
- 21 2945.2100 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS AND REPORTS.
- The following records, reports, and statistics shall be
- 23 maintained:
- 24 A. admission and release records (mandatory);
- 25 B. prisoner personal property records;
- 26 C. clothing, linen, and laundry records (not
- 27 applicable to Class III and IV municipal holding facilities);
- D. records of budget requests and work orders (not
- 29 applicable to Class III and IV municipal holding facilities);
- 30 E. special occurrence records (mandatory);
- F. records of policies and procedures;
- 32 G. employee personnel records;
- 33 H. records of staff training;
- I. accounting records (not applicable to Class III

- 1 and IV municipal holding facilities);
- J. registers (mandatory);
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 K. food service records;
- 4 L. daily logs;
- 5 M. medical and dental records; and
- 6 N. disciplinary records.
- 7 The department must make available sample approved forms
- 8 upon request on items A to N.
- 9 2945.2110 STORAGE AND PRESERVATION OF RECORDS (MANDATORY).
- 10 Space must be provided for the safe storage of records.
- 11 2945.2120 FILING AND DISPOSITION OF PRISONER RECORDS.
- Prisoner booking records shall be maintained.
- 13 2945.2130 CONFIDENTIALITY OF AND ACCESS TO PRISONER RECORDS
- 14 (MANDATORY).
- 15 Confidentiality of prisoner records and prisoner access to
- 16 factual (nonconfidential) data in their personal files must be
- 17 provided in conformity with state law.
- 18 PRISONER WELFARE
- 19 2945.2500 SEPARATION OF PRISONERS.
- 20 Subpart 1. General (mandatory). A combination of separate
- 21 living spaces, sanitation facilities, activity spaces, cell
- 22 units, and detention rooms must be provided to properly
- 23 segregate prisoners under Minnesota Statutes, section 641.14.
- Subp. 2. Prisoners to be housed separately. The following
- 25 prisoners must be housed separately:
- 26 A. female prisoners from male prisoners;
- B. juvenile prisoners from adult prisoners; and
- 28 C. insane prisoners from all other prisoners.
- Juvenile prisoners must be separated from adult prisoners
- 30 by sight and sound.
- 31 2945.2510 INFORMATION TO PRISONERS.
- 32 Subpart 1. Information to prisoners. Minimal rules for
- 33 inmate behavior must be posted in a conspicuous place or

- 1 provided to the inmate.
- 2 Subp. 2. Official charge, legal basis for detention
- 3 (mandatory). Every prisoner admitted to a facility must be
- 4 advised of the official charge or legal basis for detention and
- 5 confinement, information gathered, and to whom disseminated.
- 6 Subp. 3. Limitations on disciplinary actions. The
- 7 decision to deprive a prisoner of articles of clothing and
- 8 bedding as a result of the prisoner's destruction of those items
- 9 must be reviewed by the officer in charge during each eight-hour
- 10 period, and the review must be documented.
- 11 The delegation of authority to a prisoner or group of
- 12 prisoners to exercise the right of punishment over another
- 13 prisoner or group of prisoners is prohibited.
- No prisoner may be deprived of the use of materials
- 15 necessary to maintain an acceptable level of personal hygiene.
- 16 Items such as toilet paper and soap and water must be made
- 17 available and provided upon request.
- Subp. 4. Instruments of restraint. Instruments of
- 19 restraint, such as handcuffs, chains, irons, and straitjackets
- 20 must not be used as punishment.
- 21 A. Instruments of restraint must not be used except
- 22 in the following circumstances:
- 23 (1) as a precaution against escape during a
- 24 transfer;
- 25 (2) on medical grounds by direction of a
- 26 consulting or attending physician or licensed psychologist; or
- 27 (3) by order of the facility administrator or
- 28 person in charge in order to prevent a prisoner from injuring
- 29 himself or herself, others, or from damaging property.
- 30 B. The facility administrator shall develop written
- 31 policies and procedures to govern the use of restraints.
- 32 C. Instruments of restraint must not be applied for
- 33 any longer time than is strictly necessary.
- D. Each incident involving the use of restraints
- 35 consistent with item A, subitem (2) or (3), must be documented
- 36 and on file.

- 1 Subp. 5. Disciplinary records. Disciplinary records must
- 2 be maintained on all documented disciplinary infractions and
- 3 punishment administered.
- 4 2945.2520 PRISONER VISITATION.
- 5 Each facility administrator shall develop and implement a
- 6 prisoner visiting policy. The policy shall be in writing and
- 7 include the requirements in items A to I.
- 8 A. Nonmonitored visits between the prisoner and the
- 9 prisoner's attorney must be permitted.
- 10 B. A schedule of visits that specifies days and times
- 11 must be included (not applicable to Class III and IV municipal
- 12 holding facilities).
- C. A uniform number of permissible visits and the
- 14 number of visitors permitted per visit must be established (not
- 15 applicable to Class III and IV municipal holding facilities).
- D. Adult prisoners must be permitted an initial visit
- 17 with a member or members of their immediate family at the next
- 18 regularly scheduled visiting period (not applicable to Class III
- 19 and IV municipal holding facilities).
- 20 E. When a visit to a prisoner is denied for
- 21 reasonable grounds on the belief that the visit might endanger
- 22 the security of the facility, the action and reasons for denial
- 23 must be documented.
- 24 F. Visitors must register, giving name, address,
- 25 relationship to prisoner, and nature of business.
- 26 G. Visiting must not be audio monitored.
- 27 H. Policies for parents, guardians, and attorneys
- 28 visiting juvenile prisoners must be as unrestrictive as is
- 29 administratively possible. The initial visit for parents,
- 30 guardians, and attorneys must be permitted at any time
- 31 (mandatory).
- 32 I. Prisoners requesting private interviews for family
- 33 problems with accredited clergy, nuns, seminarians, and
- 34 laypersons active in community church affairs, must be afforded
- 35 this opportunity within such policies as are reasonable and

- 1 necessary to protect the facility's security (not applicable to
- 2 Class IV).
- 3 2945.2530 CORRESPONDENCE.
- 4 Subpart 1. Plan for prisoner mail. A facility
- 5 administrator shall develop a plan for prisoner mail consistent
- 6 with established legal rights of prisoners and reasonable and
- 7 necessary facility rules to protect the facility's security (not
- 8 applicable to Class III and Class IV municipal holding
- 9 facilities).
- 10 Subp. 2. Unrestricted volume of mail. The volume of
- 11 written mail to or from a prisoner must not be restricted (not
- 12 applicable to Class III and Class IV municipal holding
- 13 facilities).
- 14 Subp. 3. Inspection and censorship. Mail must not be read
- 15 or censored if it is between a prisoner and an elected official,
- 16 officials of the department, the ombudsman for corrections,
- 17 attorneys, or other officers of the court. Inspection of
- 18 incoming mail from this group is permitted in the presence of
- 19 the prisoner (mandatory; not applicable to Class III and Class
- 20 IV municipal holding facilities).
- Subp. 4. Money. Cash, checks, or money orders must be
- 22 removed from incoming mail and credited to a prisoner's account
- 23 (not applicable to Class III and Class IV municipal holding
- 24 facilities).
- 25 Subp. 5. Contraband. If contraband is discovered in
- 26 either incoming or outgoing mail, it must be removed (not
- 27 applicable to Class III and Class IV municipal holding
- 28 facilities).
- 29 Subp. 6. Sacred books. A prisoner desiring to read the
- 30 Bible or sacred book of another religion must be provided a copy
- 31 at the expense of the appointing authority (mandatory).
- 32 2945.2540 BEDDING, LAUNDRY, AND CLOTHING REMOVAL.
- 33 Subpart 1. Bedding. Upon request, or after eight hours,
- 34 each detainee shall be issued clean, sanitary, and
- 35 fire-retardant bedding (not applicable to Class IV municipal

- 1 facilities).
- 2 Subp. 2. Laundry. Sheets must be laundered and blankets
- 3 cleaned before reissuing them to another prisoner.
- 4 Subp. 3. Removing clothing and bedding. The facility
- 5 administrator shall develop a policy and procedure for removing
- 6 clothing-and-bedding-from-a-prisoner dealing with incidents in
- 7 which inmates misuse clothing or bedding. Clothing and bedding
- 8 must be removed from a prisoner only when the prisoner's
- 9 behavior threatens the health, safety, or security of
- 10 self, other-persons others, or property. Clothing and bedding
- 11 must be returned to the prisoner as soon as it is reasonable to
- 12 believe that the behavior that caused the action will not
- 13 continue.
- 14 2945.2550 EMERGENCIES AND SPECIAL OCCURRENCES.
- Subpart 1. Emergency plan (mandatory). The facility
- 16 administrator shall develop a written disaster plan. The plan
- 17 must include:
- A. location of alarms and fire fighting equipment;
- B. emergency drill policy;
- 20 C. specific assignments and tasks for personnel;
- D. persons and emergency departments to be notified;
- 22 E. a procedure for evacuation of prisoners; and
- F. arrangements for temporary confinement of
- 24 prisoners.
- Subp. 2. Review of emergency procedures. There must be a
- 26 documented quarterly review of emergency procedures by the
- 27 person in charge of the facility that includes:
- A. assignment of persons to specific tasks in case of
- 29 emergency situations;
- 30 B. instructions in the use of alarm systems and
- 31 signals;
- 32 C. systems for notification of appropriate persons
- 33 outside the facility;
- D. information on the location and use of emergency
- 35 equipment in the facility; and

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E. specification of evacuation routes and procedures.
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- Subp. 3. Reporting of special incidents. Incidents of a
- 3 special or serious nature that endanger the lives of staff or
- 4 prisoners or the physical plant must be reported in writing
- 5 within ten days to the county sheriff and the department. The
- 6 reports must include the names of staff members and prisoners
- 7 involved, the nature of the special occurrence, actions taken,
- 8 and the date and time of the occurrence. Special occurrences
- 9 include:
- A. attempted suicide;
- B. suicide;
- 12 C. homicide;
- D. death other than suicide or homicide;
- 14 E. serious injury or illness incurred after
- 15 detention;
- 16 F. escape or runaway;
- 17 G. fire causing serious damage;
- 18 H. riot;
- 19 I. assaults requiring medical care;
- J. other serious disturbances; or
- 21 K. occurrences of infectious diseases and disposition
- 22 of the occurrences.
- 23 Special occurrences must be reported on forms provided by
- 24 the department or comparable forms used by the facility.
- In the event of an emergency such as serious illness,
- 26 accident, imminent death, or death, the prisoner's family or
- 27 others who maintain a close relationship must be notified.
- Subp. 4. Prisoner death. When a prisoner's death occurs:
- 29 A. the date, time, and circumstances of the
- 30 prisoner's death must be recorded in the prisoner's record;
- 31 B. if the prisoner dies in the facility, the coroner,
- 32 medical examiner, or sheriff must be notified immediately;
- 33 C. personal belongings must be handled in a
- 34 responsible and legal manner;
- 35 D. records of a deceased prisoner must be retained
- 36 for a period of time in accordance with law; and

- E. the facility administrator shall observe all
- 2 pertinent laws and allow appropriate investigating authorities
- 3 full access to all facts surrounding the death.
- 4 FOOD SERVICE
- 5 2945.3400 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR FOOD SERVICE.
- 6 The goal of food service in each facility is to provide
- 7 prisoners with food and beverages that are nutritionally
- 8 adequate, palatable, produced in a manner to prevent foodborne
- 9 illness, of adequate quantity and variety, served at appropriate
- 10 temperatures, and prepared by methods that conserve nutritional
- ll value.
- 12 2945.3410 FOOD HANDLING PRACTICES (MANDATORY).
- Food service shall be provided according to parts 4625.2500
- 14 to 4625.5000.
- 15 2945.3420 FREQUENCY OF MEALS.
- There must be no more than 14 hours between a substantial
- 17 evening meal and breakfast. Where prisoners are not routinely
- 18 absent from the facility for work or other purposes, at least
- 19 three meals must be made available at regular times during each
- 20 24-hour period (not applicable to Class IV municipal holding
- 21 facilities).
- 22 2945.3430 THERAPEUTIC DIETS (MANDATORY).
- 23 A facility housing prisoners in need of medically
- 24 prescribed therapeutic diets must have documentary evidence that
- 25 the diets are provided as ordered by the attending physician
- 26 (not applicable to Class IV municipal holding facilities).
- 27 2945.3440 USE OF FOOD IN DISCIPLINE (MANDATORY).
- Food must not be withheld as punishment (not applicable to
- 29 Class IV municipal holding facilities).
- 30 2945.3450 SUPERVISION OF MEAL SERVING.
- 31 All meals must be served under the direct supervision of
- 32 staff (not applicable for Class IV municipal holding facilities).

- 1 2945.3460 HOT MEAL MINIMUM.
- 2 A minimum of one hot meal must be provided for each 24
- 3 hours of confinement (not applicable to Class III and Class IV
- 4 municipal holding facilities).
- 5 SECURITY
- 6 2945.4700 SECURITY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, GENERAL.
- 7 Security policies and procedures must be written,
- 8 operational, and include the following:
- 9 A. control and recovery of contraband (mandatory);
- B. visitor and visit control;
- 11 C. prohibition on firearms in prisoner areas
- 12 (mandatory);
- D. search and shakedown schedules and procedures;
- E. escort of prisoners outside security areas;
- 15 F. the requirement that all inmates are personally
- 16 observed by an employee at least every 30 minutes, but on an
- 17 irregular schedule; more frequent observation is required for
- 18 those inmates who are violent, suicidal, mentally disordered, or
- 19 who demonstrate unusual or bizarre behavior (mandatory);
- I. escape prevention and action plans;
- J. tool, medication, key, and weapon control
- 22 procedures;
- 23 K. count procedure;
- L. classification of prisoners; and
- M. riot prevention and control procedures (not
- 26 applicable to Class III and IV municipal holding facilities).
- 27 2945.4710 ADMISSIONS.
- 28 Subpart 1. Admission policies. Admission policies and
- 29 procedures must include the following:
- A. a thorough search of all admissions and prisoners
- 31 on release status returning to the facility;
- 32 B. showering and delousing facilities (Class III and
- 33 IV municipal holding facilities must have some type of
- 34 facilities for inmates to wash up if showers are not available);
- 35 C. an assessment of health status;

- D. security classification (not applicable to Class
- 2 III and IV municipal holding facilities);
- 3 E. inventory of prisoner's property;
- 4 F. fingerprinting and photographing, if appropriate;
- 5 and
- 6 G. completion of admission form.
- 7 Subp. 2. Identification (mandatory). No prisoners may be
- 8 received or released by the staff of a facility until the
- 9 arresting or escorting officer has produced proper credentials
- 10 or until the proper documents have been completed, identifying
- 11 the purpose for detention or release.
- 12 Subp. 3. Privacy. All intake procedures shall be
- 13 conducted in a manner and location that assures the personal
- 14 privacy of the prisoner and the confidentiality of the
- 15 transaction.
- 16 2945.4720 RELEASES.
- 17 Subpart 1. Return of prisoner property. Upon release of a
- 18 prisoner, the property of that prisoner, unless held for
- 19 authorized investigation or litigation, must be returned with a
- 20 receipt for the prisoner to sign or for the transporting officer
- 21 to sign.
- 22 Subp. 2. Transportation. Prisoners must be permitted to
- 23 make arrangements for transportation before release.
- Subp. 3. No release in intemperate weather. No prisoner
- 25 must be released in intemperate weather without proper clothing
- 26 to ensure the prisoner's health and comfort.
- 27 2945.4730 SEARCHES AND SHAKEDOWNS.
- 28 Subpart 1. Visitor searches. Searches and shakedowns of
- 29 visitors must be done in accordance with the facility's written
- 30 policy and legal procedures.
- 31 Subp. 2. Regular inspection of facility. The facility
- 32 must be regularly inspected for contraband, evidence of breaches
- 33 in security, and inoperable security equipment. Inspections
- 34 must be documented.
- 35 Subp. 3. Inspection of materials delivered to or

- 1 transported from the detention facility. All materials
- 2 delivered to or transported from the facility must be inspected
- 3 for contraband before distribution. Inspections must be
- 4 documented.
- 5 2945.4740 LOCKS AND KEYS.
- 6 Subpart 1. General. All keys to security locks must be
- 7 properly tagged and stored in a secure cabinet within a secure
- 8 area, and out of reach of the prisoners or the public
- 9 (mandatory). At least one complete set of facility keys must be
- 10 kept on hand for replacement purposes. Keys that serve a
- ll critical security purpose must be easily identifiable and never
- 12 issued to facility staff except upon order of the facility
- 13 administrator or person in charge, and in accordance with
- 14 established procedure. No security keys may be made available
- 15 to prisoners regardless of status. All electronic locking
- 16 systems must have a manual override.
- 17 Subp. 2. Regular inspection. Locks to security doors or
- 18 gates must be inspected regularly by facility staff to ensure
- 19 efficient operation.
- 20 Subp. 3. Inoperable locks. No lock to a security door or
- 21 gate may be permitted to be inoperable or left in an unsuitable
- 22 condition. No prisoner shall be placed in a cell or area that
- 23 has inoperable locks (mandatory).
- 24 2945.4750 DANGEROUS MATERIALS (MANDATORY).
- 25 Materials dangerous to either security or safety shall be
- 26 properly secured.
- 27 2945.4760 COUNT PROCEDURE.
- 28 Each facility must have a written policy describing the
- 29 system of counting prisoners. Formal counts must be completed
- 30 with an official entry made in the daily log after each mass
- 31 movement and at least once each eight hours.
- 32 ENVIRONMENTAL-PERSONAL HEALTH AND SANITATION
- 33 2945.5400 AVAILABILITY OF MEDICAL AND DENTAL RESOURCES
- 34 (MANDATORY).

- 1 Subpart 1. Availability of resources, general. Each
- 2 facility must have a licensed physician or medical resource such
- 3 as a hospital or clinic designated for the medical supervision
- 4 and treatment of prisoners. Resources must ensure 24-hour-a-day
- 5 service.
- 6 Subp. 2. Emergency dental care. Each facility must have
- 7 emergency dental care available to prisoners.
- 8 Subp. 3. Ambulance service. Ambulance services must be
- 9 available on a 24-hour-a-day basis.
- Subp. 4. Examination of prisoner where medical attention
- 11 is necessary. A prisoner must be examined by trained medical
- 12 personnel if the prisoner is visibly ill, chronically ill, or
- 13 when it is suspected that medical attention is necessary.
- 14 2945.5410 POSTING OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES.
- A listing of telephone numbers of the medical, dental, and
- 16 ambulance services available must be posted at each staff
- 17 station along with the schedule of availability.
- 18 2945.5420 HOSPITALIZATION OF A PRISONER.
- 19 Subpart 1. Agreement between facility and hospital. Each
- 20 facility must have an agreement with a hospital in the same or
- 21 nearby community permitting admission of a prisoner on the
- 22 recommendation of the attending physician.
- 23 Subp. 2. Guarding of prisoner. When a prisoner requires
- 24 hospitalization, the prisoner must be guarded on a
- 25 24-hour-per-day basis unless one of the following conditions has
- 26 been satisfied: the prisoner is not in need of custody
- 27 supervision; or the prisoner is medically incapacitated in the
- 28 opinion of the attending physician.
- 29 2945.5430 FIRST AID.
- 30 Subpart 1. Training of personnel. Custody personnel
- 31 responsible for the supervision, safety, and well-being of
- 32 prisoners must be trained in emergency first aid.
- 33 Subp. 2. First aid kit. Facilities must have a minimum of
- 34 one first aid kit located at the facility's control center or

- 1 primary staff station.
- Subp. 3. Medical and dental records. A facility must
- 3 record all complaints of illness or injury and actions taken.
- 4 Medical or dental records must be maintained on prisoners
- 5 under medical or dental care (mandatory). The records must
- 6 include:
- 7 A. the limitations and disabilities of the prisoner;
- 8 B. instructions for prisoner care;
- 9 C. orders for medication, including stop date;
- D. any special treatment or diet;
- 11 E. activity restriction; and
- F. times and dates when the prisoner was seen by
- 13 medical personnel.
- 14 2945.5440 PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES.
- Subpart 1. Written plan for personal hygiene. The
- 16 facility administrator shall develop and implement a written
- 17 plan for personal hygiene practices of all prisoners with
- 18 special assistance for those prisoners who are unable to care
- 19 for themselves (not applicable for Class III and Class IV
- 20 municipal holding facilities).
- 21 Subp. 2. Delousing materials. Delousing materials and
- 22 procedures must be approved through consultation with trained
- 23 medical personnel.
- Subp. 3. Bathing. A prisoner shall be permitted daily
- 25 washing (not applicable to Class IV municipal holding
- 26 facilities).
- 27 Subp. 4. Indigent prisoners (mandatory). Indigent
- 28 prisoners shall receive reasonable personal hygiene items upon
- 29 request.
- 30 2945.5450 DELIVERY, SUPERVISION, AND CONTROL OF MEDICINE.
- 31 Subpart 1. Delivery by unlicensed staff. The delivery of
- 32 legend drugs by unlicensed staff must be under the direction of
- 33 a consulting physician.
- 34 Subp. 2. Plan for storage, delivery, and control of
- 35 medicine. A facility administrator, in consultation with a

- 1 licensed physician or physician trained paramedic, shall develop
- 2 a plan and procedure for the secure storage, delivery, and
- 3 control of medicine.
- 4 A. The plan must include the following storage
- 5 requirements:
- 6 (1) medicine must be stored in a locked area;
- 7 (2) the storage area must be kept locked at all
- 8 times;
- 9 (3) medicine requiring refrigeration must be
- 10 refrigerated and secured;
- 11 (4) prisoners must not be permitted in the
- 12 medicine storage area;
- 13 (5) only staff authorized to deliver medicine may
- 14 have access to keys for the medicine storage area;
- 15 (6) stock supplies of legend, prescription-type
- 16 drugs must not be maintained (mandatory);
- 17 (7) prescribed medicine must be kept in its
- 18 original container, bearing the original label; and
- 19 (8) poisons and medicine intended for external
- 20 use must be clearly marked and stored separately from medicine
- 21 intended for internal use.
- B. Policy must dictate the delivery of medicine and
- 23 must include the following:
- 24 (1) Medicine administered by injection must be
- 25 administered by a physician, registered nurse, or licensed
- 26 practical nurse. Diabetics under physician order and direct
- 27 staff supervision must be permitted to self-administer insulin
- 28 (mandatory).
- 29 (2) Medicine delivered to a prisoner must be
- 30 self-administered under staff supervision.
- 31 (3) There must be a means for the positive
- 32 identification of the recipient of medicine.
- 33 (4) Policy must include procedures and records to
- 34 assure that medicine is delivered in accordance with physician
- 35 instructions, and by whom.
- 36 (5) No prisoner while receiving legend drugs may

- 1 receive any nonlegend drug without the approval of the attending
- 2 physician (mandatory).
- 3 (6) Policy must include procedures for confirming
- 4 that medicine delivered for oral ingestion has been ingested.
- 5 (7) Policy must include procedures for reporting
- 6 to the physician any adverse reactions to drugs. Any reports
- 7 shall be included in the prisoner's file (mandatory).
- 8 (8) Policy must include procedures for reporting
- 9 to the attending physician a prisoner's refusal of prescribed
- 10 medicine, and an explanation made in the prisoner's record
- 11 (mandatory).
- 12 (9) Policy must include procedures for ensuring
- 13 that no prisoner is deprived of medicine as prescribed because
- 14 of penalty or staff retaliation (mandatory).
- 15 (10) Policy must include procedures that prohibit
- 16 the delivery of medicine by prisoners (mandatory).
- 17 (11) Policy must include procedures requiring
- 18 that a physician be contacted for instructions before the next
- 19 prescribed medicine dosage time for all newly admitted prisoners
- 20 who are either in possession of prescribed medicine or indicate
- 21 a need for prescribed medicine (mandatory).
- C. Records of receipt, the quantity of the drugs, and
- 23 the disposition of legend drugs shall be maintained in
- 24 sufficient detail to enable an accurate accounting.
- Subp. 4. Medicine given to prisoner upon release.
- 26 Prescribed medication belonging to a prisoner must be given to
- 27 the prisoner or to the appropriate authority upon transfer or
- 28 release. This shall be recorded in the prisoner's file.
- 29 Subp. 5. Destruction of unused prescribed medicine.
- 30 Unused prescribed medicine must be destroyed by incineration or
- 31 by flushing into the sewer system. A notation of the
- 32 destruction must be made in the prisoner's record and must
- 33 include a statement of what was destroyed, who destroyed it, and
- 34 how it was destroyed.
- 35 2945.5460 REPORTING SUSPECTED CONTAGIOUS DISEASE (MANDATORY).

- It is the responsibility of the facility administrator or
- 2 person in charge to report to the Minnesota Department of Health
- 3 any known or suspected contagious disease.
- 4 2945.5470 SEPARATION OF PRISONERS SUSPECTED OF HAVING A
- 5 CONTAGIOUS DISEASE.
- 6 Prisoners suspected of having a contagious disease must be
- 7 separated from other prisoners (mandatory).
- 8 2945.5480 MENTALLY ILL PRISONERS.
- 9 A policy must be developed for the management of mentally
- 10 ill prisoners and must include a procedure for managing
- 11 prisoners who are suspected of being mentally ill and considered
- 12 to be a danger to self or others.
- 13 2945.5490 HOUSEKEEPING, SANITATION, AND PLANT MAINTENANCE.
- 14 Subpart 1. General. The facility must be kept in good
- 15 repair to protect the health, comfort, safety, and well-being of
- 16 prisoners and staff.
- 17 Subp. 2. Maintenance plan. The person responsible for
- 18 plant maintenance, housekeeping, and sanitation must develop a
- 19 written maintenance plan.
- Subp. 3. Compliance with rules (mandatory). Housekeeping,
- 21 sanitation, water supplies, plumbing, sewage disposal, solid
- 22 waste disposal, and plant maintenance conditions must comply
- 23 with rules required by the Minnesota State Building Code, the
- 24 Minnesota Fire Marshal's Office, the Minnesota Department of
- 25 Health, the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry
- 26 (O.S.H.A.), and other departmental rules having the force of law.
- 27 Subp. 4. Plan for daily inspection. The facility
- 28 administrator shall establish a plan for the daily inspection of
- 29 housekeeping, sanitation, and plant maintenance when the
- 30 facility is occupied.
- 31 Subp. 5. Policies and procedures to detect deterioration
- 32 of building and equipment. The facility administrator shall
- 33 develop policies and procedures designed to detect building and
- 34 equipment deterioration, safety hazards, and unsanitary

- 1 conditions. Policies and procedures must include:
- 2 A. a requirement that facility staff report
- 3 unsanitary and unsafe conditions as well as physical plant and
- 4 equipment repairs and replacement needs (mandatory);
- B. a process for prioritizing work requests and
- 6 reporting to the governing body in an expedient manner; and
- 7 C. a records system for review of budget and work
- 8 requests, expenditures, dates and actions pursuant to detection
- 9 of need, submission of work orders, and completion of requests.
- 10 Subp. 6. Elimination of conditions conducive to vermin
- 11 (mandatory). A condition in the facility conducive to harborage
- 12 or breeding of insects, rodents, or other vermin must be
- 13 eliminated immediately.
- 14 Subp. 7. Fire inspection (mandatory). Fire inspections of
- 15 the facility must be conducted on an annual basis by a state
- 16 fire marshal or local fire official. Documentation of the
- 17 inspection and any resulting orders must be maintained and
- 18 available for inspection by the regulatory authority. Failure
- 19 to comply with fire safety requirements will result in a denial
- 20 of approval to continue facility operations.

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