

## Cell Block Security

### **807.1 WEAPONS**

To provide for the safety and security of staff and inmates, no weapons will be allowed within the confines of the facility without the express approval of the Sheriff / Detention Administrator, and then only during extreme emergency situations.

### **807.2 SHAKEDOWN SEARCHES (SECURITY INSPECTIONS)**

To maintain the security and safety of the facility, and to prevent against the introduction/distribution of contraband, Detention Officers will conduct routine, unannounced security shakedowns of inmate living areas and or other areas throughout the facility. Detention Officers may also conduct special shakedowns of particular living areas should there be reason to believe that an inmate(s) may be attempting to conceal contraband. An inmate's personal property may be searched for contraband; however such searches will be conducted in compliance with other policy guidelines, statutes and standards.

### **807.3 CONTRABAND**

The discovery of any item of contraband either on an individual or concealed in an individual's personal property will be handled by a systematic process designed to ensure, to the extent possible, the disposition of the items in the most appropriate manner. The Detention Administrator / Designee will be responsible for determining the most appropriate means by which items considered contraband will be disposed of.

### **807.4 USE OF FORCE**

Detention Officers will use the minimum amount of non-deadly force necessary to maintain the security and control of inmates, and to prevent incidents from escalating into an emergency.

### **807.5 TASER**

The purpose of this standard operating procedure is to provide directions and establish procedures for the assignment, use, after care documentation, and training requirements for the use of the Taser.

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#### **807.6 PEPPER SPRAY**

Pepper Spray will be used in compliance with these guidelines to affect a lawful arrest, to prevent escape from lawful custody, or to defend an officer or others from what is reasonable believed to be the imminent of use of physical force.

#### **807.7 EMERGENCY RESTRAINT**

The purpose of this administrative directive is to establish guidelines for Detention Officers on the use of the Emergency Restraint Chair.

#### **807.8 USE OF PHYSICAL RESTRAINTS**

Detention Officers will use authorized physical restraining devices on inmates during transportation to and from the facility, movement within the Detention Center or as a means to restrain the inmate to prevent physical harm to the Detention Officer or other inmates.