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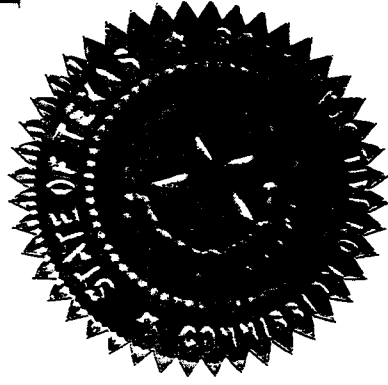
MONTAGUE COUNTY JAIL

Has been duly inspected on

October 15, 2019

and has been found that date to be in compliance with
Texas Minimum Jail Standards

Under Authority of Government Code,
Chapter 511, Texas Commission On Jail Standards



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TEXAS COMMISSION JAIL STANDARDS - INSPECTIO REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

Shane Sowell

Shane Sowell, TCJS Inspector

Facility Name: Montague County Jail

Date: October 15, 2019

Chapter	Title	Comments
259	New Construction	Conducted a walk through inspection of the facility.
261	Existing Construction	Not applicable.
263	Life Safety	Inspected life safety equipment and conducted and observed emergency drill. Reviewed documentation. Conducted staff interviews.
265	Admission	Reviewed a random sample of 6 inmate files. Interviewed staff. Reviewed policy.
267	Release	Reviewed a random sample of 2 inmate files. Interviewed staff.
269	Records/Procedures	Reviewed policy and documentation. Interviewed staff and reviewed ADA compliance evaluation.
271	Classification	Reviewed a random selection of 6 inmate files. Reviewed staff training records. Reviewed internal classification audits. Reviewed policy. Interviewed staff. Technical assistance provided - Upon my arrival, the administration advised they have contracted with Prisoner Transport Services for holding transit inmates. The administration advised the six (6) inmates currently housed arrived on October 12, 2019 at 5:39 pm which places the inmates over the maximum 48 hour requirement. PTS inmates are normally on-site for less than 48 hours. In this instance, the administration classified all of the PTS inmates and placed them in M/O cells, separated from county inmates and have them on 40 minute face-to-face observation checks. This inspector advised the administration that all transit inmates shall only be housed up to 48 hours and shall be on a minimum of 30 minute face-to-face observations. The administration called PTS while this inspector was still on-site and advised them the six inmates needed to be picked up immediately. Montague Co. officials were advised someone would be here no later than 5:00 pm today to pick them up. The administration also advised PTS that under no circumstances would their inmates be housed for more than 48 hours. Follow-up required - The administration will email this inspector advising the time PTS picks up the six inmates. The administration will scan and email this inspector the arrival time and release time of all PTS inmates for the next 30-90 days. If it is determined that transit inmates are housed longer than the maximum 48 hours, a notice of noncompliance will be issued.
273	Health Services	Reviewed a random selection of 6 files. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed training records. Reviewed policy. Technical assistance provided - During the review of restraint logs, it was determined staff are conducting constant observations for all inmates placed in the restraint chair. However, staff are documenting face-to-face observations every 20 minutes instead of the minimum standards requirement of 15 minutes. This inspector verified via video that staff are conducting constant observations. The administration was advised, even though they have an officer in front of the inmate in the restraint chair at all times, the documented checks shall be no more than 15 minutes by minimum standards. The administration advised they would cover the issue in the next staffing meeting and ensure all staff are documenting at a minimum of 15 minutes. Follow up required - The administration will scan and email this inspector a copy of the restraint logs until further notice.
275	Supervision	Reviewed a random selection of 18 jailer TCOLE certification records. Reviewed officer documentation. Interviewed staff.
277	Personal Hygiene	Conducted a facility walk through. Reviewed facility schedule.
279	Sanitation	Conducted a facility walk through. Interviewed staff and inmates. Inspector's note: The facility was very clean and well maintained at the time of inspection.
281	Food Service	Conducted walk through inspection in kitchen area. Interviewed staff. Reviewed documentation.
283.1	Discipline	Reviewed 8 disciplinary hearing records. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed policy. Reviewed inmate rules.
283.3	Grievance	Reviewed 15 inmate grievance/complaints. Reviewed policy. Interviewed staff and inmates.

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285	Exercise	Walk through of exercise area conducted. Reviewed documentation. Interviewed staff and inmates.
287	Education/Library	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
289	Work Assignments	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.1	Telephone	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.2	Correspondence	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.3	Commissary	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.4	Visitation	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.5	Religious Practices	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
xxx	Variances	Not applicable.
xxx	Remedial Orders	Not applicable.
xxx	Complaints	Not applicable.
20	CCQ	CCQ inquiries are being submitted through TLETS as required.

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