

Australian Capital Territory

# Corrections Management (Management of Razors) Policy 2010

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made under the

***Corrections Management Act 2007*, section 14(1) (Corrections policies and operating procedures)**

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## **1 Name of instrument**

This instrument is the *Corrections Management (Management of Razors) Policy 2010*.

## **2 Commencement**

This instrument commences on the day after it is notified.

## **3 Policy**

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MANAGEMENT OF RAZORS POLICY

Attached to this instrument, to facilitate the effective and efficient management of correctional services.

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## MANAGEMENT OF RAZORS POLICY



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### **Purpose**

To outline the policy for issuing, collecting and disposing of razors.

### **Authority**

#### Legislation

*Corrections Management Act 2007*, section 14.

### **Policy**

#### Principles

All prisoners in custody at the AMC must maintain appropriate hygiene standards. Prisoners may request to shave daily.

#### Issue of razors to prisoners

ACT Corrective Services will issue prisoners with disposable razors upon request. Sentenced male prisoners are able to purchase and retain razors through the prisoner buy-up system.

#### Collection and Disposal of razors

All prisoners except sentenced male prisoners must return used razors to a corrections officer after use. Officers must inspect used razors to ensure the blade/s are intact. All razors issued to prisoners must be accounted for before disposal.

Officers must dispose of used razors in sharps containers in the designated areas at the AMC. Officers must organise for the sharps containers to be emptied when full.

The procedure on issuing, collecting and disposing of razors is outlined in the *Management of Razors Procedure*.

#### Observation of prisoners

The use of razors by prisoners housed in the Crisis Support Unit, Management Unit, Women's High Needs Cottage or prisoners on observation regimes for reasons of suicide or self-harm will be monitored by corrections officers. Prisoners will be observed while shaving, where possible.

## **Forms/Templates**

Daily Razor Sheet

## **Related policies and procedures**

Management of Razors Procedure