

Australian Capital Territory

# Corrections Management (PDC: Detainee property, bedding and clothing) Policy 2011

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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 (PDC: Detainee property, bedding and clothing) Policy 2011*.

## **2 Commencement**

This instrument commences on the day after it is notified.

## **3 Policy**

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**PDC: DETAINEE PROPERTY, BEDDING AND CLOTHING POLICY**

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

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## PERIODIC DETENTION CENTRE:

### DETAINEE PROPERTY, BEDDING, AND CLOTHING POLICY

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#### **Purpose**

To outline the policy for detainee property, bedding and clothing at the Periodic Detention Centre (PDC).

#### **Authority**

##### Legislation

*Corrections Management Act 2007*, section 14.

*Crimes (Sentence Administration) Act 2005*, chapter 5

#### **Policy**

##### Principles

All detainees will be issued with linen and crockery. Detainees are responsible for ensuring that these items are kept clean.

All issued items remain the property of ACT Corrective Services (ACTCS) and are to be returned in a serviceable condition at the end of each detention period.

Detainees will wear their own clothing and footwear.

##### Linen, pillows and crockery

Each detainee will be issued with the following items:

- 2 sheets;
- 2 blankets;
- 1 pillow;
- 1 pillowcase; and
- 1 mug, plate, and bowl.

Each cell will contain one flame retardant mattress per detainee.

### **Detainee clothing**

Detainees attending the PDC are to wear their own clothes and footwear. The clothing and footwear must be suitable for outdoor work and the climate (including a hat).

N.B. Thongs and sandals are unsuitable for outdoor work activities.

Detainees will dress appropriately at all times. Skimpy, provocative or inappropriate attire is not permitted.

### **Other Items**

#### Toiletries

Detainees must provide their own toiletries. This includes:

- soap;
- toothbrush;
- tooth paste;
- towels; and
- doona.

#### Medication

Detainees may bring prescribed medication to the PDC. A medical practitioner must supply dosage instructions and prescribed medication must be in its original packaging.

#### Cash

A detainee is permitted to bring a maximum of \$30 in coins for use in vending machines.

### **Contraband**

In accordance with the PDC Contraband Policy, contraband is property which a detainee is not allowed to have whilst in custody at the PDC and includes unauthorised property and perishable or unhygienic items.

### **Unauthorised property**

Unauthorised property is any property which the Deputy Superintendent or C03 believes on reasonable grounds to be potentially dangerous or prejudicial to the health or safety of a detainee, or the good order and security of the PDC.

If a detainee is unsure whether an item will be accepted in the PDC, they should check with a corrections officer before bringing it into the PDC.

### **Forms and templates**

N/A

### **Related policies and procedures**

PDC Contraband Policy

## Version Control

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<b>Amendment History</b>				
<b>Version no.</b>	<b>Issue date</b>	<b>Amendment details</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Approval</b>
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