

# WEBER COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

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JI 01/01.00    **GENERAL**

JI 01/01.01    **Purpose**

The purpose of this chapter is to provide policy, rationale, and procedure for Prisoner Hygiene.

JI 01/01.02    **Cross References**

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JI 01/01.03    **Definitions**

**UJS**                      Utah Jail Standards

**WCCF**                  Weber County Correctional Facility

**WCS**                    Weber County Sheriff

JI 01/02.00     **PRISONER HYGIENE**

JI 01/02.01     **Policy**

It is the policy of the WCCF that:

- A. policies and procedures shall be adopted and implemented to govern prisoner hygiene requirements;
- B. prisoners shall be encouraged to maintain sound hygiene practices;
- C. prisoners shall be provided an opportunity to shower at least three times per week unless prisoner is otherwise restricted;
- D. essential hygiene items shall be made available to prisoners at no cost. The frequency of supply, however, may be determined by prisoner classification and/or restrictions;
- E. toilet paper shall be provided at each toilet location; and
- F. inmates may purchase personal hygiene items from commissary based on classification, housing assignment, and availability.

JI 01/02.02     **Rationale**

- A. Written policies and procedures are necessary to set forth the requirements for prisoner hygiene.
- B. Many prisoners who are booked into jail have poor hygiene habits. While one trip to jail is not likely to change that, the jail stay can be a learning experience. Poor hygiene habits outside the jail may lead to health problems, an inability to gain employment, and failure in other social interactions. In the jail, good hygiene helps maintain the sanitation of the facility and prevent offensive body odors from occurring in the facility.
- C. For male prisoners, shaving and haircuts may be necessary for prisoners to comply with grooming and hygiene requirements. All prisoners should be encouraged to maintain a clean, well-groomed appearance.
- D. Clothing and bedding are among the basic necessities of life. Failure to provide clean clothing and bedding for a significant period of time might, depending on the totality of circumstances, state a cause of action under the Eighth Amendment. Prisoners should be issued clothing by the jail instead of being permitted to wear personal clothing:

- 1. to protect against lice, other vermin, and filth being introduced to

- living areas from outside;
- 2. to prevent prisoners from bringing weapons and other contraband into the jail inside personal clothing;
- 3. to help prevent escape:
  - a. by reducing the potential for inadvertent release;
  - b. as a result of prisoners being more easily monitored and recognized; and
  - c. by making prisoners easier to track and identify following an escape; and
- 4. to ensure more efficient and effective clothing handling procedures.
- E. Clean bedding and towels which are regularly laundered, help maintain a clean jail environment and reduce potential for the spread of disease.

JI 01/02.03 **Procedure: Personal Hygiene**

A. Showers

Unless otherwise restricted:

- 1. prisoners in the general population shall have the opportunity to, and be expected to, shower with soap and water at least three times per week;
- 2. prisoners in segregation shall have the opportunity to, and be expected to, shower three times per week. An exception may be made for prisoners whose movement would result in an inordinate risk to staff or others.

B. Dental Hygiene Practices

Prisoners are expected to brush teeth daily, preferably after each meal.

C. Hair Care

All prisoners should be encouraged to maintain a clean, well-groomed appearance. Unless prohibited by a court from shaving or cutting hair to facilitate court room identification, and unless otherwise restricted:

- 1. male prisoners shall be permitted to shave daily and receive a hair cut,

if needed, every four to six weeks;

2. female prisoners shall be permitted to shave daily and receive hair services, if needed, every four to six weeks;
3. prisoners of either gender may purchase additional hair cuts if inmates funds are sufficient, and the services are available; and
4. inmates are expected to wash hair a minimum for once per week.

JI 01/02.04    **Procedure: Jail Issued Hygiene Items**

To facilitate good hygiene, each prisoner who is likely to be held for 24 hours shall be issued, or have access to, certain items.

- A. Hygiene items that shall be provided at no cost shall include:
  1. soap;
  2. access to toilet paper;
  3. a razor (razors should not be shared among prisoners);
  4. a tooth brush and a cleaning agent;
  5. a comb; and
  6. for women, access to sanitary napkins or tampons.
- B. Once classified, prisoners should be able to purchase from commissary, if not otherwise restricted:
  1. shampoo;
  2. lotion;
  3. tooth paste (if not provided); and
  4. deodorant.
- C. Each prisoner who is going to be incarcerated beyond the booking process shall be provided, at no cost:
  1. a uniform or jail issue clothing set, to include outerwear and gender appropriate underwear;
  2. two sheets, or one sheet and one mattress cover;

3. one blanket (more if required by temperature of living area);
  4. one towel; and
  5. one pillow (with pillow case).
- D. Prisoners shall be required to return all issued clothing and bedding items to the facility at the time of their release from custody. Prisoners may be charged financially for the replacement cost of damaged, lost, or destroyed issue items.
- E. Prisoners exhibiting self-destructive tendencies may be managed by the issue of a self destructive tendencies gown or blanket in lieu of the standard clothing issue. Self-destructive tendencies gowns/blankets shall be clean and sanitized prior to issue, and shall be exchanged for a freshly laundered gown/blanket at least twice weekly.

JI 01/02.05    **Procedure: Mattress Issue and Sanitation**

- A. Each prisoner who is going to be incarcerated beyond the booking process shall be provided a clean mattress. Typically, the mattress will be located on the bunk which is to be assigned for prisoner use.
- B. Unless otherwise restricted, prisoners shall be able to cover an assigned mattress with the mattress cover provided.
- C. Prisoners shall have the opportunity to exchange soiled bedding linens, including mattress covers, at least twice weekly.
- D. All bedding linens, including mattress covers, shall be cleaned and sanitized prior to being issued for use.