

MARIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
CUSTODY DIVISION POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

CHAPTER 6 - INMATE WORKERS

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INMATE KITCHEN WORKERS

POLICY

Inmate kitchen workers will be medically screened prior to being assigned to the kitchen. If an inmate shows any signs of illness, skin lesions or infection they will be removed from their kitchen duties immediately and will not return until medically cleared.

PROCEDURE

Inmates who want to be considered for a kitchen worker will fill out an inmate worker application and place it in the pod medical mail box. The medical staff reviews medical records for any medical problems. Inmates will not be allowed to work in the kitchen if they are or have been intravenous drug users. Inmates with any infectious disease, skin lesions or poor personal hygiene are not allowed to work in the kitchen.

To comply with Health and Safety Code Section 27605, Kitchen Supervisors shall ensure that food handlers:

1. Wear clean, washable outer garments or other clean uniforms and keep their hands clean;
2. Wash their hands and arms with cleanser and warm water immediately after using toilet facilities and before commencing work and at such other times as are necessary to prevent contamination of food. Legible signs are to be posted in each toilet room directing attention to this requirement.
3. Wear hairnets, caps or other suitable coverings to confine all hair when required to prevent the contamination of food or utensils;
4. Use tongs or other implements rather than their hands; and,
5. Refrain from spitting or using tobacco in any form in any area where food is prepared, served or stored or utensils are cleaned or stored.
6. Disposable gloves will also be issued and are to be used whenever handling food for serving.

When an inmate kitchen worker becomes ill or injured, he will be immediately removed from his work assignment. If the problem can be resolved within 24 hours, the inmate will retain his position. The kitchen will be notified and the work will be covered by the remaining workers. If the illness or injury will require more than 24 hours for recovery, the worker will lose his inmate worker status without prejudice. A new worker will be assigned according to standard procedures. The inmate worker may re-apply as soon as he is healthy.

RELATED STANDARDS:

Title 15, Article 10, Section 1230
Chapter 6, Section 1

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By order of

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