CONTRABAND

POLICY

Contraband shall be kept in the control of custody staff until it has been properly stored or disposed.

DEFINITIONS

CONTRABAND - Any item which has not been issued by staff through approved channels or approved by the Facility Administrator. Authorized items may be considered contraband when found altered or in sufficient quantity to be considered a threat to the safety and security of the jail.

EVIDENCE - Statements made or objects produced in a court of law as proof, or to support a case.

PROCEDURE

When contraband is found, the staff member will remove it from the inmate or the area where it was found. When a crime as been committed a report is filed and the contraband is evidence. Staff will secure the evidence and notify the Sergeant. Evidence is handled and stored in accordance with department procedures.

If contraband is not used as evidence, it is placed in the contraband garbage located in booking. An MRD takes the contraband garbage to the trash compactor each graveyard shift.

RELATED STANDARDS:
Marin County General Order GN 90-05

DATE REVISED
None

By order of

DANIEL PAYNE
BUREAU COMMANDER