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<b>SUBJECT:</b>	INMATE IDENTIFICATION WRISTBANDS AND CLOTHING
<b>RELATED SECTIONS:</b>	<a href="#">I.57</a> , <a href="#">I.51</a>

PURPOSE

To establish a visual inmate identification system that is reflective of an inmate's classification code.

POLICY

Upon entry into a detention facility, all inmates shall be assigned a specific color-coded identification wristband, and color-coded clothing.

PROCEDURE

- I. An identifying wristband will be secured on the inmate's left wrist (except in case of amputation, prosthesis or cast).
  - A. Inmates will be assigned a booking number during the pre-book process. When the Jail Information Management System (JIMS) wristband prints, it will have a color thumbnail photo of the inmate, identifying barcode, booking number, JIMS number, name and date of birth on the paper insert. The wristband will be heat sealed and placed on the inmate's left wrist by sworn staff. The wristband shall be placed on the wrist in a manner that prevents removal by the inmate.
  - B. The JIMS wristbands are color-coded and are the only acceptable form of identification for an inmate:

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]



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- II. It is the responsibility of facility housing deputies to check the inmates' wristbands during night hard count. When a deputy discovers a wristband in need of replacement (due to normal wear and tear), the deputy must ensure it is replaced with a new band of the same color by the end of shift. In the case of a deliberately damaged wristband, the deputy will record the details in an incident report and submit it to the sergeant for follow-up. Inmates that refuse to wear a wristband will be handled in the following manner.
  - A. If the inmate is in mainline housing, he/she shall be isolated or moved to administrative segregation for security reasons. Once the inmate complies, the inmate may be returned to mainline housing.
  - B. An incident report shall be written and submitted to the sergeant for follow-up. The inmate shall be contacted on a weekly basis to determine if he/she is willing to comply. For continued non-compliance, a new incident report shall be written and forwarded to the facility administrative sergeant for follow-up. In an effort to correct behavior, progressive discipline shall be implemented.
  - C. Inmates that refuse to wear a wristband shall lose certain privileges that require a wristband to verify identity. Examples of these privileges include but are not limited to the following:
    - 1. Commissary
    - 2. Social Visits
    - 3. Programs
  - D. Inmates that refuse to wear a wristband shall be waist chained prior to leaving the housing unit. For identity and security purposes, the deputy shall place the inmate's wristband on the waist chain near the left wrist.

- III. Plastic fasteners are available via the watch commander for those inmates who are allergic to the metal fasteners or may use the metal fasteners for self-injury.
- IV. Facility specific wristbands or markings will be placed on the right wrist of the inmate (in the case of amputation, prosthesis or cast, facility specific wristbands will not be used). Facility green sheets will be written explaining the reason for these bands. The left wristband colors will not be utilized for facility specific (right) wristbands. The facility specific (right) wristband must be a non-JIMS wristband and cannot be utilized for identification purposes.

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VI. WRISTBAND REPLACEMENT

- A. The housing deputy will positively identify the inmate. This can be done in the JIMS. Once identified, the deputy will record the information in the JIMS, make a new wristband of the same color and fasten the band on the inmate’s left wrist (or on the right wrist if the left is amputated, a prosthesis or in a cast).
- B. The deputy must re-band the inmate as soon as possible utilizing the re-banding kit located in each housing area.

VII. INMATE CLOTHING CODE

Inmate clothing is color-coded to provide staff with a visual cue as to the inmate’s classification, housing assignment or security concerns.

- A. White – Worn only by inmate workers assigned to work in the kitchen. Inmates are not authorized to wear “whites” in lieu of their assigned tan clothing while in their housing units, in other areas of the facility (e.g., visits, programs, housing unit) or when leaving the facility (e.g., court, etc.).
- B. Tan – Worn by inmate workers.
- C. Blue – Worn by inmates housed in mainline population.
- D. Green – Worn by inmates designated as escape risks; assaultive behavior or having threatened to assault staff; sentenced to life or having been sentenced to death. Inmates identified by the District Attorney’s office as a defendant in a death penalty case will also wear green clothing.