

**CONTRABAND**

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- Common Types of Contraband
- How is contraband hazardous to staff and other inmates?
- How is contraband obtained?

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- What are some common hiding areas for contraband?
- How is contraband made?
- Rule Violation vs. Penal Code Violation

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- What documentation is required for contraband?
  - Suspect vs. No Suspect
- What are common penal code sections used w/ illegal contraband?
- How should contraband be handled once confiscated?
  - Rule Violation vs. Penal Code Violation

# EVIDENCE

“Chain of Custody” is the combination of documented links between the moment a piece of evidence is seized and when it is offered into evidence at trial

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## Steps for maintaining the “chain of custody”:

- Who found the contraband/evidence
- Where it was found
- Isolate/preserve the crime scene
- Who recovered and marked it
- Who transported it
- Where it was logged in and stored
- The contraband/evidence condition before & after handling
- Documentation of the steps

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## Burden of Proof

Obligation to produce evidence to prove facts

## Contraband

Legal/Illegal items whose mere possession is a crime or rule violation

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## Evidence

Evidence code Section 140, re: testimony, writings, material, objects or other things presented to the senses that are offered to prove the existence or nonexistence of a fact

## Reasonable Cause Searches

Title 15, re: persons in custody subject to searches for a lower level of cause



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## Proof

Establishment of a fact by evidence

## Spontaneous Statement

Statements made in response to a sudden or startling event

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## Reasons for offering evidence in court:

- An item of proof to show that a crime was committed
- To impeach a witness
- To confront testimony of a witness
- To assist the court in its determinations of guilt or innocence