



Department of Justice and Public Safety
Adult Custody Services

Policy: **Conditions of Confinement D12**
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MISSION STATEMENT

Adult Custody Services is committed to providing professional practices that respect human rights and ensure safety for all. To be successful we will deliver fair practices, incorporate transparent policies and procedures, ensure independent quality assurance processes, and provide program access that allows for educational, cultural, traditional, and faith-based services as well as mental wellness and community re-entry assistance.

PURPOSE

To outline a behavioral management model that defines the conditions of confinement and fair practices, including a quality assurance review process.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

[N.B Corrections Act.](#)

SCOPE

This policy applies to all employees of the Adult Custody Services division of the Department of Justice and Public Safety.

POLICY GUIDELINES

There are six conditions of confinement format: general; modified; special privilege; medical treatment; clinical intervention and high security.

PROCEDURE

General Format

- This confinement format is for sentenced or remanded clients.
- Sheriff/police holdings, intermittent sentences, federal parole violators and high security clients are not eligible for General Format.
- Participants are eligible to take part in all available institutional programs.

Modified Format

- This format may be used for clients of sheriff holdings, parole violations, immigration, safety, and security and / or protective custody.
- It may take place in a regular housing unit or a specialized unit.
- This is a special individualized case plan designed through the Classification Process to meet the unique needs of the client.
- Clients involved with this format will be subject to ongoing regular assessments for possible return to General Format.

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- Upon unit placement a Level 1 status is assigned. Minimum duration of the status placement is one week before reclassification to Level 2.
- Duration of Level 2 status placement is one week before reclassification to Level 3.
- Duration of Level 3 status placement is one week before reclassification to General Program status.
- Case plans are designed through the Classification Process to meet the unique needs of the client.
- The client may be reclassified to a lower level if behaviour and/or conduct warrants.
- All status reclassifications are made through the Classification Process.

Special Privilege Format

- This format involves increased privileges based on client choices and conduct of Medium and Low Security clients.
- Focus is on reinforcement of positive behaviour and increased eligibility for community re-entry programming.
- It includes an increased level of trust; lower level of supervision/security; an opportunity to expand life skills and social development; and community stewardship.
- Clients involved with this format will be subject to ongoing regular assessments for possible return to General Format.

Medical Treatment Format

- Clients involved with this format will be subject to ongoing regular assessments conducted by medical service for possible return to General Format.
- It is used for those clients who:
 - have a condition that requires a modified accommodation, including a physical or mental disability.
 - are recovering from a hospital placement.
 - are involved with a detox program.
 - may have an immune system vulnerability due to chemotherapy or dialysis.
 - have a contagious condition or quarantine requirement; or
 - have a high security opioid prescription requirement.

Clinical Intervention Format

- Clients involved with this format will be subject to ongoing regular assessments for possible return to General Format.
- This is a unit placement within an Adult Custody Facility that allows for the effective management of a clinical intervention strategy and includes ongoing assessments by clinical professionals.

High Security Format

- Clients involved with this format will be subject to ongoing regular assessments for possible return to General Format.
- Includes any restricted programming that a remand or sentenced client is subject to because of their individual security status in relation to the specific criminal charges of that individual and / or the safety and security threat that the individual presents.

RELATED POLICY

Section D27 Segregation
Section F1 Classification
Adult Institutional Policy Manual NB