



Department of Justice and Public Safety
Adult Custody Services

Policy: **Intensive Supervision D43**
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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 establish procedural guidelines for the intensive supervision clients who are an extreme risk to engage in self-inflicted injury, or suicide attempts are to be placed under "Intensive Supervision"

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

[NB 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

Intensive Supervision shall be supervision which requires Adult Custody staff to conduct visual and or physical checks of a client at least once every five-minutes at irregular intervals or more often if necessary.

PROCEDURE

Institutional Staff

Any institutional staff member having **reason to believe** a client is at risk of suicide or self-inflicted injury shall immediately inform the Sergeant and submit a report as per protocol.

Sergeants

Sergeants will assign Adult Custody staff to place the identified client in a secure area under intensive supervision, until assessed by qualified medical personal.

Searches

The designated area and client shall be searched prior to placement as per established protocol.

Mattress

A mattress and blanket are to be issued by 22:00 hours or at the discretion of the Sergeants.

Logbook



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Intensive Supervision logs are to be maintained as per protocol.

Supervision Checks

Adult Custody staff assigned to intensive supervision will ensure that they physically observe the client in a fashion that flesh is seen and there is no evidence of distress. Extra staff will be utilized if physical checks are required

Safety

Adult Custody staff that witness a client whose safety appears to be at risk shall immediately notify the Sergeant and take appropriate steps to ensure the-client's safety is not jeopardized.

Referral

Sergeants will determine if a client's displayed behaviour is consistent that they are not in a mentally competent state and shall make an immediate referral to the nurse or emergency department of the local hospital.

Notification

The Sergeant or on call authority shall be notified of intensive supervision incidents as soon as possible as per notification protocol.

Transportation

The transfer of a client on Intensive supervision is to be conducted by no less than two Adult Custody Staff. The Staff are always to remain with the client.

Medical Team

Clients are to remain on five-minute checks until otherwise directed by the medical team

Local Policy

Local Policy will be developed on Intensive Supervision

RELATED POLICY

- D1 Population Counts
- D3 Security Rounds
- D30 Restraint & Safety Prevention Equipment
- D41 Shift Changes
- D42 Client Supervision
- E1 Admissions Procedures
- G28 Suicide/Suicide Prevention
- Adult Institutional Policy N.B.