

Directive 324.01 Voting

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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

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1. Authority:

This directive is authorized by the civil Rights Act of 1963 and V.S.A. Title 28, Chapter 11, Section 807. .

2. Purpose:

This directive is to ensure the voting rights of inmates are protected and to require facility procedures for inmate voting.

3. Applicability/Accessibility

3.1.

4. Directive

DIRECTIVE

I. Inmate Rights

A. An inmate confined to incarceration retains the right to vote by absentee ballot in a primary or election, providing the inmate has met all voting requirements.

II. Responsibility

A. Superintendents shall ensure that staff inform and assist inmates in exercising their right to vote.

B. Inmates desiring to vote shall be informed of the process to obtain ballots.

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C. The Superintendent shall develop any necessary procedures to allow inmates to exercise their right to vote.

D. Inmates shall be informed of these procedures.

E. Inmates may not use their place of incarceration as their place of residence for voting. For voting purposes, their last place of voluntary residence shall be used, unless the inmate is registered to vote in another community, in which case that community becomes his/her place of residence.

5. Training Method

5.1.

6. Quality Assurance Processes

6.1.

7. Financial Impact:

8. References

8.1.

9. Responsible Director and Draft Participants

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