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PURPOSE:

This administrative directive outlines the Vermont Department of Correction’s (DOC) general principles, philosophy, and policy towards contraband items.

PHILOSOPHY

The DOC believes that the control of contraband within a Vermont correctional facility is necessary to provide a safe and secure environment for all persons. The detection, interception, and confiscation of contraband is essential to provide for safety, security, and good order within the correctional facility.

AUTHORITY:

28 V.S.A. §§101(5), 102(C)(6) AND 601(3).

POLICY

Contraband in prisons, which includes drugs, weapons, and other items, creates a dangerous environment. In order to successfully pursue the safety and security of a correctional facility, it is necessary to maintain a level of security that will adequately protect all employees, volunteers, visitors, and inmates. A primary element of a sound security system is the establishment of what types of items are considered contraband.

The introduction or possession of contraband into a correctional facility or its grounds is prohibited. The DOC employs a wide range of methods to prevent, detect, and control contraband.