



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 5120:1-8-07 Visitation.

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Full service jails shall comply with the following visitation standards.

- (A) (Important) There is a secure visiting area that physically separates the inmate and visitor with capability for two-way conversation and non-obscured and/or video visitation.
- (B) (Important) The visitation area will be equipped with seating.
- (C) (Important) Visitors will be required to provide valid identification.
- (D) (Important) Visitors will register upon entry into the jail. The registry will include the date, visitor names, inmate visited, and length of the visit.
- (E) (Important) The jail will provide general visitation hours that provide inmates the opportunity for thirty minutes of visitation per week. If the jail utilizes video visitation, it will provide weekly general visitation hours that are supported by the video visitation system utilized, no less than twenty minutes per visit. A schedule of visiting hours will be posted in inmate and visitor areas.
- (F) (Important) Written policy and procedures will govern contact and special visits.
- (G) (Important) The jail will establish visitor security procedures to prevent contraband from entering the jail.
- (H) (Important) Visits will be restricted only if the jail administrator or designee determines that a visit is a threat to safety, security, or the best interests of the jail. The jail administrator or designee will document restrictions in writing.
- (I) (Important) Visits between inmates and members of the public will be monitored and may be recorded by any means for safety and security reasons.



(J) (Important) Professional visits by attorneys of record or clergy will be permitted as dictated by jail safety and security needs.