



Facility Inspection Report Issued By The Minnesota Department of Corrections Pursuant to MN Statute 241.021, Subdivision 1

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INSPECTION DETAILS FOR:

Faribault County Jail

Address: 320 Dr. H. Russ Street, Blue Earth, MN 56013

MN Governing Rule: 2911 Local Adult Detention Facilities

Inspection Type: Biennial **Inspected By:** Rachel Dotseth – Detention Facility Inspector **Inspected on:** 01/24/2024

Inspection Method: Facility tour, staff and inmate interviews, employee and inmate file reviews, video footage review and related documentation reviews.

Officials Present During Inspection: Jail Administrator Todd Hanevik; Jail Program Coordinator Missy Sonnek

Officials Present for Exit Interview: Jail Administrator Todd Hanevik

Issued Inspection Report to: Jail Administrator Todd Hanevik; Sheriff Michael Gormley; Jail Program Coordinator Missy Sonnek; County Administrator Darren Esser; Regional Manager Dayna Burmeister

RULE COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

Rule Chapter	Requirement Type	Total Applicable	Total Compliance	Total Non Compliance	Total Compliance With Concerns	Compliance Rating	Substantial Compliance Result/Criteria
2911	Mandatory	121	118	0	3	100.00%	Compliance rating of 100%
2911	Essential	95	95	0	0	100.00%	Compliance rating of 90%

TERMS OF OPERATION

Authority to Operate: approval **Begins On:** 04/01/2024 **Ends On:** 03/31/2026 **Facility Type:** Jail
Placed on Biennial Status: Yes **Biennial Status Annual Compliance Form Due On:** 03/31/2025
Delinquent Juvenile Hold Approval: 24 hrs exclusive of weekends and holidays **Certificate Holder:** Faribault County Sheriff's Office
Special Conditions: None.

Approved Capacity Details **Operational Capacity is calculated as a percent of Approved Capacity beds.*

Bed Type	Gender	Approved Capacity	%Operating Capacity	Operational Capacity	Bed Details	Conditions
Secure	Coed	62	85	52.70	None.	None.

RULE COMPLIANCE DETAILS

Chapter 2911 - Mandatory Rules In Compliance With Concerns**Total: 3****1. 2911.1900 POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUALS.**

A facility shall have a written policy and procedure manual that is electronically available to staff and relevant regulatory authorities and defines the philosophy and method for operating and maintaining the facility. This manual shall be made available to all employees, reviewed annually, updated as needed, and staff trained accordingly. The manual shall include, at a minimum, the following chapters: A. correctional standards required under this chapter; B. administration and organization; C. fiscal management; D. personnel; E. training; F. inmate records; G. safety and emergency; H. security and control; I. sanitation and hygiene; J. food service; K. medical and health care services; L. inmate rules and discipline; M. communication, mail, and visiting; N. admissions, orientation, classification, property control, and release; O. inmate activities, programs, and services; and P. a written suicide prevention and intervention plan. The facility administrator or designee shall review policy and procedure manuals at least once each year. The review shall be documented in written form sufficient to indicate that policies and procedures have been reviewed and amended as appropriate to facility changes.

Inspection Findings:

During policy review it was discovered that the facility's policy is missing minor elements of the 2911 Rule, the facility was provided the missing elements.

Corrective Actions:

The facility must update the policy manual and submit changes to the Department of Corrections within 60 days of receipt of this inspection report.

Response Needed By:**2. 2911.2525 ADMISSIONS. Subpart 3. Orientation to rules and services.**

A facility shall develop a written policy and procedure that provides: A. a method for all newly admitted inmates to receive orientation information in a manner the inmates can understand; and B. documentation by a statement that is signed and dated by the inmate that the inmate completed orientation.

Inspection Findings:

The facility provides an orientation for newly admitted inmates. However, the facility does not require signed documentation that orientation was completed.

Corrective Actions:

Provide an orientation for all newly admitted inmates and provide this information in a manner that the inmates can understand. Document this process by a statement that is signed and dated by the inmate that the inmate completed orientation.

Response Needed By:**3. 2911.6500 STORAGE. Subpart 2. Refrigeration.**

Medication requiring refrigeration shall be refrigerated and secured and the temperature checked daily. There must be separate refrigeration for medications only.

Inspection Findings:

The facility is conducting daily temperature checks but is missing some dates within the month.

Corrective Actions:

The facility shall assign a staff member to complete the daily temperature checks to ensure compliance with the rule.

Response Needed By:

INSPECTION COMMENTS

The Faribault County Jail staff were helpful and appeared knowledgeable about their duties. The facility is well maintained, clean and organized. Inmates were complimentary of the facility and reported good communication with staff.

The jail will remain on biennial inspections.

JJDPA Compliance

On January 24, 2024, a Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Act audit was conducted. The Faribault County Jail has received a "Rural Exception" to the JJDP Act. This allows the facility to hold a delinquent juvenile up to 24 hours, excluding weekends and holiday. The three core requirements reviewed in the audit are Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders (DSO), Removal of Juveniles for Adult Jail and Adult Lockups (Jail Removal), and Sight and Sound Separation.

According to the DOC Portal, the Faribault County Jail held or processed one juvenile from October 1, 2023, to January 24, 2024. The findings are as follows:

DSO: I did not find any violations of the facility holding status offenders in the jail.

Jail Removal: DOC Portal data indicates that any children brought into the jail are removed well within the 24 hour time frame allowed per the "Rural Exception."

Sight and Sound Separation: The facility design and policies allow for proper sight and sound separation. Faribault County has a completely separate juvenile holding area that has its own private entrance into the facility. Policies and the court schedule also indicate proper sight and sound separation are maintained.

The facility does not participate in any "Scared Straight" programs for any youth that are under public authority.

Court Holding: There is not secure court holding at Faribault County, juveniles are transported straight into the court room. Juvenile court times are separated from adults to assure proper sight and sound separation from adult inmates.

Based on the documentation that I reviewed, I did not find any violations of the JJDP act during the Faribault County inspection.

Report completed By: Rachel Dotseth – Detention Facility Inspector

Signature:

