

Religious Meal Services

2016.1 PURPOSE

- (a) The purpose of this policy is to ensure that inmates are afforded the opportunity to consume meals in accordance with their religious beliefs.

2016.2 POLICY

- (a) It is the policy of the Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) to respect an inmate's religious rights and upon request, provide them with reasonable access to meals in accordance with their religious beliefs.
- (b) Inmates who request specially prepared meals in observance of religious practices do not need to establish an expertise in that religion, only a sincere desire to participate in its doctrines.
- (c) Inmates shall apply for Religious Meal Services in accordance with [CCOM Section 2304.3 – Religious Diets](#).
- (d) Inmates who request and are denied access to Religious Meal Services may file a grievance in accordance with [CCOM Section 1600.5\(f\) – Grievances Requiring Special Handling](#).