

## Classification Descriptions and Identification

### 1202.1 GENERAL POPULATION (GP) INMATES

- (a) Inmates shall be considered General Population (GP) for classification purposes, unless otherwise designated. Refer to [CCOM Section 1202.2 - Specialty Housing Inmates](#). Every inmate classified as GP will be assigned a security level of 1-7.
- (b) Generally, GP inmates should be housed and programmed with those of the same security level. However, the following classification groups may be placed together to mitigate housing and programming constraints:
  - 1. GP6 and GP7 inmates may be housed and programmed together.
  - 2. GP4 and GP5 inmates may be housed and programmed together.
  - 3. GP1, GP2, and GP3 inmates may be housed and programmed together.
  - 4. GP inmates assigned as workers (GP4 – GP7) may be housed and programmed together, but only when housed in dorms or barracks. GP workers housed in double or multi-occupancy cells shall only be housed within the approved classification groups described above in (b)1 & (b)2. For more information regarding inmate workers, refer to [CCOM section 1204.1 – Inmate Workers](#), and [CCOM Section 2004 – Inmate Workers](#).
  - 5. GP inmates housed in Medical Dorms may be housed and programmed together outside of the approved classification groups described above in (b)1 – (b)3. However, these housing assignments will be determined on a case-by-case basis after consultation between Classification, CHS, and housing staff. These housing assignments will depend on each inmate's health needs, their criminal/institutional history, and housing constraints.
  - 6. GP inmates assigned to Mental Health cells shall be housed together within the approved classification groups described above in (b)1 - (b)3 (except in cases where CHS deems an inmate is required to be housed alone, via a REDACTED). However, CHS or Mental Health housing staff may request a review by Classification via email to house GP inmates together that fall outside of the approved classification groups. Classification will respond with the approval or denial. Additionally, Mental Health housing deputies (in collaboration with CHS) have discretion to allow out-of-cell programming for GP inmates who fall outside of the approved classification groups, to facilitate access to programs and services, provided adequate supervision is maintained and consideration is given to safety and security.
  - 7. GP4 – GP7 inmates placed in program housing units (e.g., HUMV) may be housed and programmed together. However, these housing assignments will be determined on a case-by-case basis after consultation between PMU, Inmate Services staff, and housing staff. These housing assignments will depend on each inmate's criminal/institutional history, program participation criteria, and housing constraints. For more information regarding program housing units, refer to [CCOM Section 1205 – Inmate Program Housing](#).

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- (c) Under extenuating circumstances, the Special Services Bureau Captain, in collaboration with Custody Operations Facility Commanders, may approve GP inmates to be housed together that fall outside of the approved procedures outlined above in 1202.1(b). The applicable Facility Watch Commander(s) will document the approval in the Custody Operations Supervisor log – Administrative Assignment. The Assistant Sheriff of Custody Operations shall be notified as soon as practical.
- (d) Generally, GP inmates of all classification levels may be placed in temporary holding cells together during the intake and re-housing process to mitigate holding cell constraints. However, any safety or security concerns should be taken into account prior to placing inmates of different classification levels together (e.g., recent assaultive behavior, mental health concerns, etc.).
- (e) Unless otherwise specified, or circumstances dictate, GP inmates do not require restraints during movement within a facility and can be escorted with all other GP inmates.

#### **1202.2 SPECIALTY HOUSING INMATES**

- (a) Inmates assigned a Specialty Housing classification may require additional security restrictions. Restrictions will only be placed when there is a legitimate security need or for disciplinary reasons.
- (b) Every inmate requiring Specialty Housing upon initial classification or re-classification shall have a Specialty Housing Request Form [REDACTED] or Classification Review Form [REDACTED] completed, detailing the justification.
- (c) All [REDACTED] shall be reviewed and approved by a Classification Sergeant prior to housing the inmate.
- (d) The following are the classifications of Specialty Housing inmates:
  - 1. High Security (HS).
  - 2. Administrative Housing (AH); Levels 1-3, Protective Custody (PC-AH)
  - 3. Protective Custody (PC); Levels 1-3
  - 4. Civil Commitments (Civil); WI-6600 "SVP," CPC-1332/CCP-1209).
- (e) Generally, Specialty Housing inmates shall only be housed with inmates of the same classification level.
- (f) AH3 inmates, PC-AH inmates, and Civil detainees will be housed alone. However, Classification/PMU has discretion to group and/or house these inmates/detainees with compatible inmates/detainees, of like classification level, under certain circumstances. A Classification Review [REDACTED] shall be submitted and approved by the Classification Sergeant prior to any of these inmates being placed together.
- (g) Specialty housing inmates assigned to Mental Health Cells shall only be housed with inmates of the same classification level. However, Mental Health housing deputies (in collaboration with CHS) have discretion to allow out-of-cell programming for PC2 and PC3 inmates, to facilitate access to programs and services, provided adequate supervision is maintained and consideration is given to safety and security.

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- (h) Under extenuating circumstances, the Special Services Bureau Captain, in collaboration with Custody Operations Facility Commanders, may approve Specialty Housing inmates to be housed together that fall outside of the approved procedures outlined above in 1202.2(e) and (g). The applicable Facility Watch Commander(s) will document the approval in the Custody Operations Supervisor log – Administrative Assignment. The Assistant Sheriff of Custody Operations shall be notified as soon as practical.
- (i) A Classification Sergeant may approve Specialty Housing inmates of different security levels to be placed in temporary holding cells together during the intake or re-housing process to mitigate holding cell constraints.

#### **1202.3 HIGH SECURITY (HS) INMATES**

- (a) HS inmates are those who require a higher level of security than the general population inmates. Reasons for placing an inmate on HS status include but shall not be limited to: booking charges, member or associate of a validated prison gang, identified as being extremely influential among other inmates, assaultive toward staff or inmates, or specialty housing while in other institutions.
- (b) Staff shall not allow high security inmates to possess razors. These inmates may be given one razor upon request but must return the razor once they are finished.

#### **1202.4 ADMINISTRATIVE HOUSING (AH) INMATES**

- (a) Title 15, Section 1053 states "administrative separation" may consist of separate and secure housing that does not involve any other deprivation of privileges than is necessary to obtain the objective of protecting inmates and staff. Custody Operations defines these types of inmates as Administrative Housing (AH).
- (b) Administrative separation must not adversely affect an inmate's health. Administrative Housing inmates with a medical, ADA accessibility, or mental health requirement shall be placed in housing that meets these requirements.
- (c) There are four classifications for AH inmates. Inmates may be classified to a particular level for the following reasons:
  - (a) AH-1
    - i. Prone to escape.
    - ii. Assaultive toward staff or other inmates.
    - iii. Disruptive to the operations of the jail.
    - iv. Associates of a validated prison gang or security threat group.
    - v. Facing, or have been sentenced to, the death penalty or a life sentence.
  - (b) AH-2
    - i. Self-admitted or validated member of sensitive needs yard (SNY) gang (25s, Greenlighters, Allstars, Northern Riders, etc.).

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- ii. Protective custody inmates who become problematic based on continual assaults, extortions and/or threats towards other PC inmates.
- (c) AH-3
  - i. Undergoing a classification investigation to determine appropriate housing and/or classification.
  - ii. Inmates who have been targeted for assault while in custody, due to gang politics.
  - iii. AH-3 Inmates who share similar characteristics may be assessed for their ability to be housed and/or participate in group activities together, such as dayroom and outdoor recreation. A classification review will occur to document the assessment.
- (d) Protective Custody-Administrative Housing (PC-AH) Inmates
  - i. Inmates who require protection and separation from other inmates, including PC and PC-AH inmates.
  - ii. Current or past members of a law enforcement agency.
  - iii. Government officials, judges, and attorneys.
  - iv. PC-AH inmates who share similar characteristics may be assessed for their ability to be housed and/or participate in group activities together, such as dayroom and outdoor recreation. A classification review will occur to document the assessment.
- (d) The Population Management Unit (PMU) will conduct periodic administrative separation reviews for inmates who have been classified as AH-3 or PC-AH.
  - 1. Administrative separation reviews for AH3 and PC-AH inmates shall be conducted twice per year (from the date of the inmate's initial booking) and shall not exceed 180 days from the date of initial booking or last review.
  - 2. Administrative separation reviews will be independent of any other type of classification review that may occur.
  - 3. The administrative separation review will consist of an individualized evaluation of the need for continued placement in or removal from administrative housing.
  - 4. PMU will use all documentation available from the time of initial classification to AH-3 or PC-AH, as well as any subsequent documentation that has become available to determine if a face-to-face interview is required for the periodic review.
  - 5. When it becomes apparent to PMU staff that the inmate's classification will more than likely change resulting in removal from administrative housing, a face-to-face interview shall occur.
  - 6. PMU will document the administrative separation review using the classification review form [REDACTED]

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7. All administrative separation reviews will be approved by the Classification Sergeant prior to an inmate's classification change and removal from administrative housing.
- (e) Staff shall not allow any AH inmates to possess razors. These inmates may be given one razor upon request but must return the razor once they are finished. Transgender and Intersex PC-AH inmates may request one additional razor, for a total of two razors, but must return the razor(s) once they are finished.

#### **1202.5 PROTECTIVE CUSTODY (PC) INMATES**

- (a) PC inmates are those who require separation and/or protection from other inmates. Any time an inmate is identified as needing protective custody, they shall be separated from other classifications of inmates.
- (b) Classification staff may classify an inmate as PC based on circumstances surrounding the following:
  1. The inmate's booking charges.
  2. The inmate's gang affiliations or withdrawal from a gang.
  3. The inmate is identified as an informant or a witness where these circumstances may pose a danger to the inmate.
  4. The inmate has been identified by other inmates as being a prior PC within a County, State or Federal institution.
  5. Staff has confirmed threats against the inmate.
- (c) Classification staff shall classify inmates with the following charges as PC:
  1. All sex crimes involving a minor.
  2. PC 290 violations where the controlling charge is a sex crime involving a minor.
  3. Probation and parole violations where the controlling charge is a sex crime involving a minor.
- (d) Classification staff may classify inmates with all other crimes against a minor as PC inmates.
- (e) Classification staff may take into consideration the inmate's prior PC or SNY (Sensitive Needs Yard) status, the length of time they were classified as such, and the time that has passed since their last classification.
- (f) There are three levels of PC inmates. Inmates may be classified to a particular level for the following reasons:
  1. PC-1
    - i. May have been previously classified as Administrative Housing (AH) (generally AH-1) and now require PC housing.
    - ii. Have a history of escape, assaultive behavior, and/or affiliation to a validated prison gang or security threat group.

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2. PC-2
  - i. Inmates who are confirmed gang dropouts with protection needs.
  - ii. Inmates meeting the above criteria for PC who have a classification level of GP 1-5.
3. PC-3
  - i. These inmates are those who have been identified as requiring PC based solely on their charges, such as crimes against minors.
  - ii. May also be inmates meeting the above criteria for PC who have a classification level of GP 6-7.

#### **1202.6 CIVIL DETAINEES**

- (a) Civil Detainees are committed to the custody of the Sheriff's Department under W&I 6600, CPC 1332, or CCP 1209. These detainees are held on civil cases such as Child Support, Civil Contempt or Civil Sexually Violent Predator matters.
- (b) Civil Detainees committed to the custody of the Sheriff's Department under Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code 6600 are those who have been identified by the court as Sexually Violent Predators (SVP). W&I 6600 defines SVP, in general, as "a person who has been convicted of a sexually violent offense against one or more victims and who has a diagnosed mental disorder that makes the person a danger to the health and safety of others in that it is likely that he or she will engage in sexually violent criminal behavior." These individuals have served their criminal sentences and have been found by a court of law to pose a continuing danger to others and include those awaiting such judicial proceedings.
- (c) Civil Detainees committed to the custody of the Sheriff's Department under CPC 1332 & CCP 1209 - pursuant to CPC 4001(3) - include "persons detained as witnesses or held under civil process, or an order imposing punishment for a contempt."
- (d) Every Civil Detainee that is committed to the custody of the Sheriff's Department shall be screened by classification staff to determine an initial classification level, which follows the same process and criteria for all inmates. However, once this process is completed, Classification staff shall complete a Specialty Housing Request Form [REDACTED] or Classification Review Form [REDACTED] explaining the individual's Civil Detainee status and requesting them to be classified as "Civil-6600" or "Civil-1332/1209". The [REDACTED] shall be reviewed and approved by the Classification Sergeant prior to housing and the detainee will be dressed in jail issue according to their initial classification.
- (e) "Civil-6600" and "Civil-1332/1209" Detainees shall not be housed together in the same cells.
- (f) All Civil Detainees shall be housed separately from criminal inmates. "Criminal Inmates" as used herein includes persons committed on criminal process and detained for trial and persons already convicted of crime and held under sentence.

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- (g) Civil Detainees are required to read, understand, and comply with all Jail Rules. Any violation of laws or jail rules may result in jail discipline and/or criminal prosecution.
- (h) For more information on Civil Detainees, refer to [CCOM Section 7102 – Civil Detainees](#).

#### **1202.7 CLASSIFICATION SUMMARY CHART**

The following is a list of the classification levels with a summary of factors related to each level:

[See attachment: Classification Summary Chart](#)

#### **1202.8 INMATE IDENTIFICATION CARDS AND CLOTHING**

- (a) Identification cards are issued to inmates to provide a readily recognizable means of identifying inmates and their classification levels.
- (b) Classification staff shall ensure an identification card is printed for each inmate at the end of the classification process. Printed identification cards will be given to Male and Female Booking Prowlers to be issued to inmates prior to being housed.
- (c) If an inmate's classification level is changed for any reason, it will be the responsibility of classification staff to ensure the inmate receives a new identification card and new clothing (if required).
- (d) The following charts describe identification card and clothing procedures for each classification, as well as supplementary designations:

[See attachment: Identification Charts](#)

- (e) For further details regarding inmates that require supplementary designations, refer to [CCOM Section 1204 - Supplementary Classification and Housing Considerations](#).

## Attachments



## **Classification Summary Chart.pdf**

CLASS	LEVEL	DESCRIPTION
GP	GP1	MINIMAL, MODERATE, OR EXTENSIVE ARREST FACTOR; EXTENSIVE VIOLENCE FACTOR; MINIMAL, MODERATE, OR EXTENSIVE PRISON FACTOR; STREET GANG MEMBER OR AFFILIATE; LOW OR <b>HIGH INSTITUTIONAL BEHAVIOR</b> , MODERATE OR <b>HIGH ESCAPE FACTOR</b>
	GP2	MINIMAL, MODERATE, OR EXTENSIVE ARREST FACTOR; <b>EXTENSIVE VIOLENCE FACTOR</b> ; MINIMAL, MODERATE, OR EXTENSIVE PRISON FACTOR; STREET GANG MEMBER OR AFFILIATE; LOW INSTITUTIONAL BEHAVIOR; MODERATE ESCAPE FACTOR
	GP3	MINIMAL, MODERATE, OR EXTENSIVE ARREST FACTOR; <b>MODERATE VIOLENCE FACTOR</b> ; MINIMAL, MODERATE, OR <b>EXTENSIVE PRISON FACTOR</b> ; STREET GANG MEMBER OR AFFILIATE; LOW INSTITUTIONAL BEHAVIOR; <b>MODERATE ESCAPE FACTOR</b>
	GP4	MINIMAL, MODERATE, OR EXTENSIVE ARREST FACTOR; MINIMAL VIOLENCE FACTOR; <b>MINIMAL OR MODERATE PRISON FACTOR</b> ; STREET GANG MEMBER OR AFFILIATE; <b>LOW INSTITUTIONAL BEHAVIOR</b>
	GP5	MINIMAL, MODERATE, OR EXTENSIVE ARREST FACTOR; <b>MINIMAL VIOLENCE FACTOR</b> ; MINIMAL PRISON FACTOR; <b>STREET GANG MEMBER OR AFFILIATE</b>
	GP6	MODERATE OR <b>EXTENSIVE ARREST FACTOR</b> ; MINIMAL OR <b>MODERATE PRISON FACTOR</b> ; PREA BASED HOUSING (NON - "POLITICKING")
	GP7	MINIMAL OR MODERATE ARREST FACTOR; MINIMAL PRISON FACTOR; PREA BASED HOUSING (NON - "POLITICKING")
HS	HS	ASSAULTIVE TOWARDS INMATES OR STAFF, MEMBER OR ASSOCIATE OF A VALIDATED PRISON GANG, <b><u>EXTREMELY INFLUENTIAL AMONG OTHER INMATES</u></b>
AH	AH1	<b>ASSAULTIVE TOWARDS STAFF</b> , INDETERMINATE SHU, ASSOCIATE OF A VALIDATED PRISON GANG OR SECURITY THREAT GROUP (STG), SENTENCED TO THE DEATH PENALTY OR LIFE SENTENCE
	AH2	PREVIOUSLY REQUIRED PROTECTION, BECAME PROBLEMATIC BASED ON CONTINUAL ASSAULTS (STG), EXTORTIONS, <b><u>PC GANGS</u></b>
	AH3	<b><u>UNDERGOING A CLASSIFICATION INVESTIGATION</u></b> , REQUIRES SEGREGATION FROM GEN POP
PC	PC1	PREVIOUSLY CLASSIFIED AS AH1 AND NOW REQUIRES PC HOUSING
	PC2	CONFIRMED GANG DROP-OUT WITH PROTECTION NEEDS (GENERAL POPULATION LEVELS 1-5)
	PC3	PROTECTIVE CUSTODY BASED SOLELY ON THEIR CHARGES, SEX CRIMES AGAINST A CHILD, PREA, AND/OR SAFETY CONCERNS IN GENERAL POPULATION (GENERAL POPULATION LEVELS 6-7)
	PC-AH	INMATES NEEDING PROTECTION/SEPARATION FROM OTHER INMATES INCLUDING PC AND PC-AH INMATES
CIVIL	CIVIL-1332/1209	DETAINEES HELD ON CIVIL CASES SUCH AS CHILD SUPPORT OR CIVIL CONTEMPT (CPC 1332, CCP 1209)
	CIVIL-6600 (SVP)	DETAINEES WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A SEXUALLY VIOLENT OFFENSE AND HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH A MENTAL HEALTH DISORDER THAT MAKES THEM A DANGER TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF OTHERS (W&I 6600)

## Identification Charts.pdf

IDENTIFICATION CHART		
CLASS / LEVEL	ID CARD	CLOTHING
GP1 - GP7	Orange Stripe & Class / Level on front	Orange top / Orange pants / <b>Orange Sweatshirt</b>
AH1 - AH3	Red stripe & Class / Level on front	Orange top / Orange pants / <b>Orange Sweatshirt</b>
HS	Red stripe & Class / Level on front	Red top / Red pants / <b>Orange Sweatshirt</b>
PC-AH, PC1 - PC3	Green Stripe & Class / Level on Front	Green top / Green pants / <b>Light Gray Sweatshirt</b>
CIVIL-1332/1209, CIVIL-6600 (SVP)	Gray Stripe & Class / Level on Front	Dressed according to initial classification level

SUPPLEMENTARY IDENTIFICATION		
DESCRIPTION	ID CARD	CLOTHING
"HUMV" Inmates	Labeled according to Class / Level	Camouflage top, Camouflage pants
GP Inmate Workers	Labeled according to Class / Level	Light blue top, Orange pants
PC Inmate Workers	Labeled according to Class / Level	Light blue top, Green pants
Pregnant Inmates	Labeled according to Class / Level	Top that matches Class / Level, Pink pants
Mental Health "M1" & "M2" Inmates	Labeled according to Class / Level	Top that matches Class / Level, Dark green pants
Mental Health "M3" Inmates	Labeled according to Class / Level	Top that matches Class / Level, Dark green pants ("Chronic" Units only)