

TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS

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Subchapter 4. GENERAL INSTITUTION REGULATIONS

Article 7. Segregated Housing

3341.5. Segregated Program Housing Units.

Sections 3341.5 through Subsection 3341.5(b) remain unchanged.

(c) Security Housing Unit (SHU). An inmate whose conduct endangers the safety of others or the security of the institution shall be housed in a SHU.

(1) Assignment criteria. The inmate has been found guilty of an offense for which a determinate term of confinement has been assessed or is deemed to be a threat to the safety of others or the security of the institution.

(2) Length of SHU Confinement. Assignment to a SHU may be for an indeterminate or for a fixed period of time.

(A) Indeterminate SHU Segregation.

1. An inmate assigned to a security housing unit on an indeterminate SHU term shall be reviewed by a classification committee at least every 180 days for consideration of release to the general inmate population. An investigative employee shall not be assigned at these periodic classification committee reviews.

2. Except as provided at section 3335(a), section 3378(d) and subsection (c)(5), a validated prison gang member or associate is deemed to be a severe threat to the safety of others or the security of the institution and will be placed in a SHU for an indeterminate term.

Subsection 3341.5(c)(2)(A)3. is adopted to read:

3. Indeterminate SHU terms suspended based solely on the need for inpatient medical or mental health treatment may be reimposed without subsequent misbehavior if the inmate continues to pose a threat to the safety of others or the security of the institution.

(B) Determinate SHU Segregation.

Subsections 3341.5(c)(2)(B)1 through 3341.5(c)(2)(B)7 remain unchanged.

Existing Subsection 3341.5(c)(2)(B)8 is renumbered to 3341.5(c)(2)(B)10.

Subsections 3341.5(c)(2)(B)8 through 3341.5(c)(2)(B)9 are adopted to read:

8. A SHU Term may be reimposed if an inmate placed in the Administrative Segregation Unit (ASU) is found guilty of a serious rule violation and the ICC concludes the inmate poses a threat to the safety of others or the security of the institution.

9. Determinate SHU terms suspended based solely on the need for inpatient medical or mental health treatment may be reimposed without subsequent misbehavior if the inmate continues to pose a threat to the safety of others or the security of the institution.

10.8. The Unit Classification Committee shall conduct hearings on all determinate cases at least 30 days prior to their MERD or during the eleventh month from the date of placement, whichever comes first.

Subsection 3341.5(c)(2)(C) is adopted to read:

(C) Anytime a SHU term is reimposed, ICC shall record the basis of their decision in the CDC Form 128-G, Classification Chrono (Rev. 10/89), which is incorporated by reference, clearly articulating the inmate's continued threat to the safety of others or the security of the institution.

Subsections 3341.5(c)(3) through 3341.5(c)(6) remain unchanged.

Subsection 3341.5(c)(7) is amended to read:

(7) Determinate/~~Indeterminate~~ SHU terms shall ~~only~~ be served in a departmentally approved SHU or a facility specifically designated for that purpose, except under those circumstances where the term may be served in ASU. Determinate/~~Indeterminate~~ SHU terms may also be served in secure inpatient medical or mental health settings, when deemed clinically necessary.

Subsections 3341.5(c)(8) through 3341.5(c)(10)(B) remain unchanged.

Note: Authority cited: Section 5058, Penal Code. Reference: Sections 314, 5054 and 5068, Penal Code; Sandin v. Connor (1995) 515 U.S. 472; Madrid v. Gomez (N.D. Cal. 1995) 889 F.Supp. 1146; Toussaint v. McCarthy (9th Cir. 1990) 926 F.2d 800; Toussaint v. Yockey (9th Cir. 1984) 722 F.2d 1490; and Castillo v. Alameida, et al., (N.D. Cal., No. C94-2847).

Article 10. Classification

3375.2. Administrative Determinants

Sections 3375.2(a) through Subsection 3375.2(a)(5) remain unchanged.

Subsection 3375.2(a)(6) is amended to read:

(6) An inmate serving a sentence of life without possibility of parole shall not be housed in a facility with a security level lower than Level IV, except when authorized by the Departmental Review Board (DRB). Inmates serving life without the possibility of parole

in need of urgent or emergent medical or psychiatric care may be transferred to a celled in-patient medical or mental health bed pending DRB approval. The DRB shall review the case within 30 days of the transfer.

Subsections 3375.2(a)(7) through 3375.2(b)(27) remain unchanged.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 5058 and 5058.3, Penal Code. Reference: Sections 5054 and 5068, Penal Code; Sandin v. Connor (1995) 515 U.S. 472; Madrid v. Gomez (N.D. Cal. 1995) 889 F.Supp. 1146; Wright v. Enomoto (N.D. Cal. 1976) 462 F. Supp. 397; and Stoneham v. Rushen (1984) 156 Cal. App. 3d 302.

3377.1. Inmate Custody Designations.

Subsection 3377.1 (a) through 3377.1(c) remain unchanged.

Subsection 3377.1(d) is adopted to read:

(d) A “D” suffix may be affixed by an Institutional Classification Committee (ICC) to a male inmate’s Close Custody designation to indicate the inmate may be housed within a dormitory environment. A mental health clinician or physician shall be present during the ICC classification hearing for placement or removal of a D Suffix to an inmate-patient’s custody designation.

(1) A “D” suffix shall only be affixed by ICC if the inmate meets one of the following criteria and the ICC determines the inmate can safely program in dormitory housing based on a review of the inmate’s case factors:

(A) Inpatient mental health treatment is deemed clinically necessary and health care staff have determined that required care cannot be provided in a celled environment.

(B) Placement in a specialized medical bed has been deemed clinically necessary and the Health Care Placement Oversight Program staff have determined the required care cannot be provided in a celled environment.

(2) Other security precaution requirements set forth in Section 3377.1 for Close Custody still apply to inmates with a “D” suffix.

(3) The D suffix shall be removed when either of the following occur:

(A) A determination is made by health care staff that the in-patient mental health treatment is no longer necessary and/or can be provided within a celled environment.

(B) A determination is made by health care staff that the in-patient medical care is no longer necessary and/or the Health Care Placement Oversight Program staff have determined appropriate celled housing is available.

Note: Authority cited: Section 5058, Penal Code, Reference: Sections 290, 4852.01, 5054 and 5068, Penal Code; Americans With Disability Act (ADA), 42 U.S.C. § 12131, et seq.; and Pennsylvania Department of Corrections v. Yeskey(1998) 524 U.S. 206.