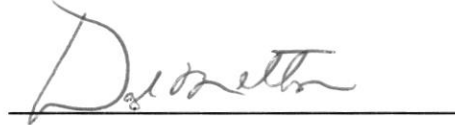


Sabine County Commissioner Court

January 27, 2025

On this date, Sabine County Commissioner Court review and recognized an inspection report for Sabine County Jail on January 9, 2025.



Daryl Melton, County Judge



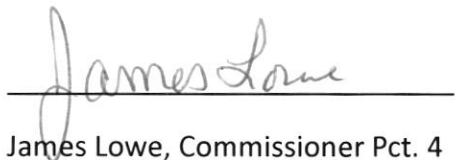
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# TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS

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Sheriff Tom Maddox, Sr.  
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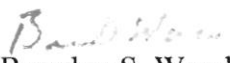
Dear Sheriff Maddox,

The most recent limited compliance review of the Sabine County Jail on January 9, 2025, by Texas Commission on Jail Standards Inspector Michael Gravitt has demonstrated that your facility remains in compliance with Texas Minimum Jail Standards.

Enclosed you will find the requirement review of areas that were reviewed for the Sabine County Jail.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

  
Brandon S. Wood  
Executive Director

BW/cw

cc: Judge Daryl Melton, Sabine County

**\*\*Note:** Please be advised that one or more areas of technical assistance was provided. The Requirements Review has been attached for your review to ensure that you are fully aware of the issue. Failure to address the technical assistance areas in a timely manner may result in the issuance of a notice of non-compliance.

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# Texas Commission on Jail Standards

Sabine County Jail

Hemphill, TX

January 9, 2025  
Date(s) of Inspection

**SUBJECT: Limited Compliance Review Report**

State Law requires periodic inspections of county jail facilities (VTCA, Local Government Code, Chapter 351, VTCA, Government Code, Chapter 511; Chapter 297.8, Texas Commission on Jail Standards).

- The facility was inspected on the date(s) indicated above, and it was determined that deficiencies exist. You are urged: (1) to give these areas of noncompliance your serious and immediate consideration; and (2) to promptly initiate and complete appropriate corrective measures. The Commission is available to discuss or assist you with the appropriate corrective measures required.

Failure to initiate and complete corrective measures following receipt of the Notice of Noncompliance may result in the issuance of a Remedial Order (Chapter 297.8, et seq.).

- This facility was inspected on the date(s) indicated above. There were no deficiencies noted and upon review of this report by the Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, a certificate of Compliance may be issued per the requirements of VTCA, Chapter 511 and Texas Minimum Jail Standards.

Authenticated:

Inter-Office Use Only

Michael Gravitt, TCJS Inspector

<u>Williamson</u>	<u>1/10/2025</u>
Received by:	Date
<u>Richy Armstrong</u>	<u>1/10/2025</u>
Reviewed by:	Date


cc: Judge Sheriff

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Individuals and/or entities regulated by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards shall direct all complaints regarding the commission procedures and functions to the Executive Director at: P.O. Box 12985 Austin, Texas 78711 (512) 463-5505 Fax (512) 463-3185 or at our agency website at [www.tcjs.state.tx.us](http://www.tcjs.state.tx.us).

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**TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS - INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW**



Michael Gravitt, TCJS Inspector

Facility Name: Sabine County Jail

Date: January 9, 2025

Chapter	Title	Comments
259	New Construction	Not applicable
261	Existing Construction	Not applicable.
263	Life Safety	Reviewed life safety documentation and received photographic evidence that the fire panel has been inspected and is indicating "Normal" mode. <b>Technical assistance provided - Documentation was provided showing that the facility fire panel was last inspected June 22, 2023. Administration was contacted and provided documentation that the fire panel was inspected on October 1, 2024. At the time of the October fire panel inspection, the fire panel was past due by approximately 4 months. Issue was discussed with administration. No follow-up required</b>
265	Admission	Reviewed observation checks for booking and detoxification cells.
267	Release	Not applicable
269	Records/Procedures	Reviewed facility operational plans.
271	Classification	Reviewed a random selection of 5 inmate files. Reviewed internal classification audits. Reviewed policy.
273	Health Services	Reviewed a random selection of 5 inmate MARs, suicide/mental health screening forms, CCQ, and magistrate notifications. Reviewed restraint logs. <b>Technical assistance provided - During the review of inmate medical records, it was observed that staff on occasion are failing to document when medications are given or refused. This inspector reviewed 20 pages of Medication Administration Records (MAR) containing 104 entries. There were 5 errors found on the MARs reviewed. Issue was addressed with administration. Follow-up action required - Administration will conduct documented training with staff on the proper procedures for medication administration and proper documentation of medication administered or refused. Training is to be conducted within the next 30 days and training documents will be scanned and emailed to this inspector.</b>
275	Supervision	Reviewed a random selection of 12 officer TCOLE certification records. Reviewed officer documentation. Reviewed 30 and 60 minute observation checks
277	Personal Hygiene	Not applicable.
279	Sanitation	Not applicable.
281	Food Service	Reviewed food service documentation.
283.1	Discipline	Reviewed 0 disciplinary hearing records. ****There were no inmate disciplinary records on file.****
283.3	Grievance	Not applicable.
285	Exercise	Reviewed recreation logs.
287	Education/Library	Not applicable.
289	Work Assignments	Not applicable.
291.1	Telephone	not applicable.
291.2	Correspondence	Not applicable.
291.3	Commissary	Not applicable.
291.4	Visitation	Not applicable.
291.5	Religious Practices	Not applicable.
xxx	Variances	Not applicable.
xxx	Remedial Orders	Not applicable.
xxx	Complaints	Not applicable.
xxx	CCQ	CCQ inquires are being submitted through TLETS as required.

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS**  
**Technical Assistance**

Facility Name: Sabine County Jail

Date: January 9, 2025



Michael Gravitt, TCJS Inspector

Item	Section	Paragraph	Comments
1	263	.55	<p>All life safety equipment shall be inspected, maintained, and tested by persons qualified to do so (whether under vendor contract, by state or private agency or otherwise) in order that such equipment shall be safe, secure, and fully operative at all times.</p> <p><b>Documentation was provided showing that the facility fire panel was last inspected June 22, 2023. Administration was contacted and provided documentation that the fire panel was inspected on October 1, 2024. At the time of the October fire panel inspection, the fire panel was past due by approximately 4 months.</b></p>
2	273	.2(7)	<p>(7) provide procedures for the distribution of prescriptions in accordance with written instructions from a physician by an appropriate person designated by the sheriff/operator;</p> <p><b>During the review of inmate medical records, it was observed that staff on occasion are failing to document when medications are given or refused.</b></p>

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