

CHAPTER: 700

Operational Security

DEPARTMENT ORDER:

707 – Inmate Escape Prevention/Response

OFFICE OF PRIMARY
RESPONSIBILITY:

OPS

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ACCESS

Contains Restricted Section(s)

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Department Order Manual

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EXPECTED PRACTICES

American Correctional Association (ACA) Expected Practices: 5-ACI-3B-15 and 5-ACI-3B-16

PURPOSE

This Department Order establishes procedures for escape prevention and responses to escapes, to include staff and law enforcement notification, investigation procedures, chase procedures, and filing of appropriate charges.

PROCEDURES

1.0 DISCIPLINARY CHARGES

- 1.1 Disciplinary Charges – Wardens, Deputy Wardens or Administrators shall ensure that appropriate disciplinary charges are filed against an inmate who escapes, in accordance with the Department Inmate Discipline System.
- 1.2 Forfeit of Earnings and Personal Property – Upon confirmation that an inmate has escaped, the inmate's:
 - 1.2.1 Earnings and funds shall be forfeited and accounts placed on hold, as outlined in Department Order #905, Inmate Trust Account/Money System.
 - 1.2.2 Personal property shall be considered abandoned and will be seized and forwarded to the Criminal Investigations Unit (CIU) for evidence and released to the Contraband Control Officer for appropriate disposition upon the completion of the investigation for disposition in accordance with Department Order #803, Inmate Disciplinary Procedure and Department Order #909, Inmate Property.
- 1.3 Escape Apprehension Costs – Inmates who have escaped shall be required to reimburse the Department for all apprehension costs. Inmates attempting to escape are also subject to confiscation of all personal property including funds/assessed full cost of preventing escape, as outlined in Department Order #905, Inmate Trust Account/Money System, and the Inmate Banking/Money Technical Manual.

RESTRICTED SECTIONS

- 2.0 ESCAPE PREVENTION – RESTRICTED**
- 3.0 ESCAPE RESPONSE – RESTRICTED**
- 4.0 ESCAPE FACT SHEET AND ESCAPE FLYER - RESTRICTED**
- 5.0 FUGITIVE APPREHENSION UNIT – RESTRICTED**
- 6.0 APPREHENSIONS – RESTRICTED**
- 7.0 ESCAPE INVESTIGATION AND REVIEW – RESTRICTED**

IMPLEMENTATION

Within 90 days of the effective date of this Department Order, Wardens shall, where appropriate, supplement this Department Order by updating and maintaining Post Orders that address at a minimum:

- Institution and unit escape response
- Staff responsibilities
- Reporting cost data, as required

Within 90 days of the effective date of this Department Order, the Contract Beds Operations Director shall ensure contract prisons are in contractual compliance regarding inmate escapes.

DEFINITIONS/GLOSSARY

Refer to the Glossary of Terms for the following:

- Apprehension Costs
- Escape
- Escape Review Committee
- Escrow Account
- Full Authority Peace Officer
- Secure Custody
- Secure Work/Transportation Detail

AUTHORITY

A.R.S. §13-2501, Definitions; Escapes

A.R.S. §13-2502, Escape in the Third Degree; Classification

A.R.S. §13-2503, Escape in the Second Degree; Classification

A.R.S. §31-254, Compensation for Labor Performed; Price of Prison Made Articles; Distribution of Earnings; Worker's Compensation

A.R.S. §31-342, Escape; Liability for Costs Incurred in Apprehension

A.R.S. §41-1602, State Department of Corrections; Purpose