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Tyler Crocker, Environmental Health and Safety Officer

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Greetings,

Pursuant to 105 CMR 451.403, please find the inspection report for Suffolk County Jail, the Plan of Correction (POC) from the facility and the POC acceptance letter from the Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS).

Sincerely,

Hannah Weeau

Hannah LeBeau

Environmental Health Inspector, EHRS, BCEH

Cc: Robert Goldstein, MD, PhD, Commissioner, DPH
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January 15, 2025

Steven W. Tompkins, Sheriff
Suffolk County Sheriff's Department
20 Bradston Street
Boston, MA 02118 (electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection - Suffolk County Jail, Boston

Dear Sheriff Tompkins:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) conducted an inspection of the Suffolk County House of Corrections on November 8, 2024, accompanied by Sergeant Tyler Crocker, Environmental Health and Safety Officer, in accordance with Department regulations 105 CMR 451.000: Minimum Health and Sanitation Standards and Inspection Procedures for Correctional Facilities.

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3.	6th Floor	Staff Bathroom 6-2	1 & 6-2	105 CMR 451.117	Toilet Fixtures: Toilet fixture dirty
4.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1A	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 2, 6, and 8
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7.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Shower # 618 – Bottom Tier, Right Side	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Light shield rusted
8.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Shower # 618 – Bottom Tier, Right Side	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, drain cover damaged
9.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Shower # 618 – Bottom Tier, Right Side	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling dirty
10.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Shower # 711 - Top Tier, Left Side	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged
11.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Shower # 711 - Top Tier, Left Side	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged
12.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 13, 15, 18, 19, 27, 29, 32, and 35
13.	6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Shower # 63E	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Drain flies observed
14.	6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Shower # 63E	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
15.	6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 21
16.	6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.126*	Hot Water for Bathing and Hygiene: No hot water supplied to handwash sink

17. 6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Shower # 64D	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty
18. 6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Shower # 64G	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty
19. 6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Shower # 64G	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged
20. 6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell 14
21. 5th Floor	Medical Area	Nurse's Area	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, handwash sink out-of-order
22. 5th Floor	Medical Area	Bathroom # 5032	105 CMR 451.126*	Hot Water for Bathing and Hygiene: No hot water supplied to handwash sink; hot water push button broken
23. 5th Floor	Medical Housing Unit	Shower # 55C	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling dirty
24. 5th Floor	Medical Housing Unit	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 5559
25. 5th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Cells # 5564- 5570	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 5567
26. 5th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Shower # 55B	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling dirty
27. 5th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Shower # 55B	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Door frame rusted
28. 4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Shower # 41I	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
29. 4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 1, 5, 6, 7, 12, and 17
30. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42E (near cell # 15)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
31. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42 H (near cell # 34)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
32. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42I (near cell # 32)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
33. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42I (near cell # 32)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Debris in drain cover
34. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42I (near cell # 32)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall damaged near push button
35. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Cells (Unoccupied)	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 8, 12, and 25
36. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Shower # 43H	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
37. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.110(A) *	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: Electric hand dryer out-of-order
38. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Shower # 43I (near cell # 20)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty
39. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Shower # 43E	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty
40. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Shower # 43C	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty
41. 4th Floor	Control 4-3 & 4-4	Staff Bathroom	105 CMR 451.126*	Hot Water for Bathing and Hygiene: Hot water temperature 72°F at handwash sink

42. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, handwash sink leaking
43. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.110(A) *	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: Electric hand dryer out-of-order
44. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44I (near cell # 28)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling dirty
45. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44I (near cell # 28)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty
46. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44H (near cell # 9)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty
47. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44J (near Visiting Rooms)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
48. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44B	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
49. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 9, 33, and 34
50. Floor 3.5	Education	Bathroom # 3521	105 CMR 451.110(A)	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No paper towels at handwash sink
51. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22C (near slop sink room # 22D)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Dead drain flies observed on ceiling
52. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22C (near slop sink room # 22D)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
53. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22C (near slop sink room # 22D)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty
54. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22E (near cell # 15)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Objectionable odor observed
55. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22E (near cell # 15)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing
56. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22H (near cell # 34)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged
57. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22I (near cell # 32)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty
58. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 1, 5, 13, 15, and 17
59. Contact Visits/Roll Call	Classification		105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, refrigerator gaskets moldy and damaged
60. Entry Level	Communications		105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, excessive ice build-up observed in freezer
61. Entry Level	Blue Shirt's Lock	er Room # 1075	105 CMR 451.110(A) *	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: Electric hand dryer out-of-order

62. Entry Level	Blue Shirt's Locker Room # 1075	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling tiles water damaged
63. Ground Level	Staff Bathroom # G5	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty
64. Ground Level	Staff Bathroom # G5	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged
65. Ground Level	Staff Bathroom # G5	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling water damaged
66. Ground Level	Back Gate Control # G80	105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, excessive ice build-up in freezer
67. Ground Level	West Mechanical # G18	105 CMR 451.130*	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, hot water supply leaking
68. Food Service	Oven and Steamer Hood Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed behind ovens. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).
69. Food Service	Storage Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).
70. Food Service	Vegetable Walk-in # 3	105 CMR 451.200	Limitation of Growth of Organisms of Public on-site Health Concern, Temperature and Time Control: Refrigerated time/temperature control for safety food prepared on site not clearly marked indicating the date or day by which the food shall be consumed or discarded (Pf). Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-501.17(A)
71. Food Service	Vegetable Walk-in # 3	105 CMR 451.200	Characteristics; Corrected on-site safe, unadulterated, and honestly presented (Pf), moldy produce observed. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-101.11.

72. Food	Milk Walk-in # 4	105 CMR 451.200	Preventing	Corrected
Service			Contamination after	on-site
			Receiving; Preventing	
			Food and Ingredient	
			Contamination: Food	
			not appropriately	
			covered. Standard	
			found in 105 CMR 590;	
			FC 3-302.11(A)(4).	
73. Food	Mop Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Opera	ation;
Service			Premises, Structure, Att	achments,
			and Fixtures - Methods:	Facility not
			cleaned as often as nec	essary, rodent
			droppings observed. Sta	andard found
			in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-5	01.12(A).

Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

20 new deficiencies and 17 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an *) were found during the inspection:

1.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1A	Storage Room # 61G	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed
2.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1A	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed
3.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1A	Slop Sink Room # 61B	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed
4.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored upside down
5.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Second Floor Storage Room	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed
6.	6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Handwash sink dirty
7.	6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed
8.	6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling dirty in cell # 17
9.	6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 8, 11, and 27
10.	5th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Storage # 5555	105 CMR 451.383(B)	Fire Safety System: Facility not in compliance with 780 CMR Massachusetts Building Code provisions for fire safety
11.	5th Floor	Medical Area	Male Staff Bathroom # 5093	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged outside bathroom
12.	4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed
13.	4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Handwash sink dirty
14.	4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Slop Sink Room # 41N	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket

15. 4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Rodent
16. 4th Floor	Limit 4.1	Ctauana Clasat	10F CNAD 4F1 2F2	droppings observed
16. 4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket
17 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Vitabanatta	10F CMD 4F1 260	Protective Measures: Rodent
17. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360	
10 4th Floor	Limit A. A	Common Anna	10F CNAD 4F1 2F2	droppings observed
18. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Mold observed
19. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Common Aron	105 CMR 451.353	on ceiling near closet # 44G Interior Maintenance: Wall mounted
19. 4(1) [100]	Offit 4-4	Common Area	103 CIVIN 431.333	
20. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	telephone # 1 out-of-order
20. 4(1) [100]	Offit 4-4	Common Area	103 CIVIN 431.333	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling damaged near closet # 44G
21. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent
21. 4(1) [100]	Offit 4-4	Kitchenette	103 CIVIN 431.300	
22. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Closet # 44G	105 CMR 451.360*	droppings observed Protective Measures: Rodent
22. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Closet # 44G	105 CIVIK 451.360°	
22 4th Floor	Limit A. A	Clan Cink Dagna	10F CNAD 4F1 2F2	droppings observed
23. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop
24 4+6 51	Linit A A	# 44C	40F CNAD 4F4 2F2	stored upside down
24. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Chemical bottle
25 Ath Flace	Linit A A	# 44C	40F CNAD 4F4 2F2	leaking
25. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 8
26. 2nd Floor	Control 2-1 & 2-2	Main Area	105 CMR 451.353	Desk surface damaged
27. Entry	Weight Room # 10)/0	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles
Level	Ct D # C11		40F CNAD 4F4 2F2	damaged
28. Ground	Store Room # G11		105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop
Level	1 di D d. # 63		10F CNAD 4F4 2F0*	stored in bucket
29. Ground	Loading Dock # G2	.6	105 CMR 451.350*	Structural Maintenance: Garage door
Level	1 d D # C	22./620	40F CNAD 4F4 2F2*	not rodent and weathertight
30. Ground	Laundry Room # G	23/G29	105 CMR 451. 353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling water
Level	Looding Dook # C2		10F CNAD 4F1 2CO*	damaged in storage closet
31. Ground	Loading Dock # G2	.6	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent
Level	Carbaga Daara # C	27	10F CNAD 4F1 2F0*	droppings observed
32. Ground	Garbage Room # G	137	105 CMR 451.350*	Structural Maintenance: Garage door
Level	Carbasa Daara # C	27	10F CNAD 4F1 2CO*	not rodent and weathertight
33. Ground Level	Garbage Room # G	15/	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed on floor
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34. Ground	Boston Police Bool	KIIIR AI Ea	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles
Level	Mala Dagleiga	Control	10F CNAD 4F4 2F2*	missing, and water damaged
35. Ground	Male Booking	Control	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged
Level	Area			

SECTION 2: Areas Found to be in Compliance

EHRS inspected 102 additional areas of the facility which were found to be in compliance.

Section 3: Areas EHRS did not inspect

EHRS did not inspect 13 areas of the facility because they were either in use, locked, or under construction.

1. Flo	loor 6.5	Storage Room # 6504	Unable to Inspect - Locked
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2. Floor 6.5	Inmate Bathroom # 65	05	Unable to Inspect - Not in Use
3. Floor 6.5	Inmate Bathroom # 65	06	Unable to Inspect - Not in Use
4. 6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Storage Room # 64F	Unable to Inspect - Locked
5. 5th Floor	Medical Area	Room # 5029	Unable to Inspect - In Use
6. 5th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Shower # 55A	Unable to Inspect - In Use
7. 4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Shower # 41G (near cell # 10)	Unable to Inspect - In Use
8. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Storage Room # 42F	Unable to Inspect - Locked
9. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42G	Unable to Inspect - In Use
10. Floor 3.5	Education	Bathroom # 3520	Unable to Inspect - In Use
11. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-1		Unable to Inspect - Under Construction
12. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-3		Unable to Inspect - Under Construction
13. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-4		Unable to Inspect - Under Construction

SECTION 5: Plan of Correction

This facility does not comply with the Department's Regulations cited above. In accordance with 105 CMR 451.404, please submit a plan of correction within 10 working days of receipt of this notice. The Plan of Correction must include:

- 1. Specific corrective steps to be taken
- 2. A timetable for the corrective actions for larger projects
- 3. The date by which correction will be achieved
- 4. Any interim measures being implemented to ensure the health and safety of incarcerated individuals and facility staff
- 5. The plan should be signed by the Superintendent or Administrator and submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

SECTION 4: Observations and Recommendations

- 1. The inmate population was 318 at the time of the inspection.
- 2. At the time of inspection, the EHRS recommended re-numbering all showers throughout the institution. This will assist the EHRS and Sheriff's Department employees to better recognize where issues exist.

To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at www.mass.gov/dph/dcs and click on "Correctional Facilities" 105 CMR 451.000 is available in both PDF and RTF formats. For more specific information about the food standards, you can download the merged food code, which can be found here.

An inspection may also include observations of other conditions which could constitute a threat to the health or safety of inmates or employees, including but not limited to the standards set forth by the Department as follows, and report on such pursuant to 451.402(B). You can use these links below to review these standards:

- <u>105 CMR 205.000</u>: Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities
- <u>105 CMR 480.000</u>: Minimum requirements for the Management of Medical or Biological Waste
- 105 CMR 500.000: Good Manufacturing Practices for Food

This inspection report is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Sincerely,

Hannah Useau

Hannah LeBeau Environmental Health Inspector, EHRS, BCEH



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January 27, 2025

Hannah LeBeau, Environmental Health Inspector Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health 5 Randolph Street Canton, MA 02021

Dear Inspector LeBeau:

Enclosed is this Department's updated Plan of Action, produced by Lt. Brittney Carroll to correct deficiencies noted in your Minimum Health and Sanitation Standards Inspection of the Suffolk County Jail. Deficiencies were addressed with the dates they were completed. There was recently a shower projected completed by Pavilion flooring that addressed all of the noted concerns in 21, 22, 42 and 64 unit showers. We are also preparing for an upcoming plumbing project that will be a massive overhaul of the whole plumbing system within the facility. The projected start date for that is July 2025. We thank you for your commitment to helping us improve the conditions within our facility.

Sincerely,

Leteya Flambo Assistant Superintendent

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Enc. Plan of Action

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3.	6th Floor	Staff Bathroom	6-1 & 6-2	105 CMR 451.117	Toilet Fixtures: Toilet fixture dirty Cleaned on 11/08/2024
4.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1A	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 2, 6, and 8 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
5.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food preparation not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior of microwave oven dirty Microwave was sanitized by unit workers and inspected by the unit officer on 11/08/2024
6.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, hot water control leaking at handwash sink Sink repair made by Sgt. Allard on 11/15/2024
7.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Shower # 618 – Bottom Tier, Right Side	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Light shield rusted Scheduled for repair by the maintenance department by 2/28/2025
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10.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Shower # 711 - Top Tier, Left Side	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged Scheduled for repaint by the maintenance department by 2/28/2025
	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Shower # 711 -	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged

		Top Tier, Left Side		Scheduled for repaint by the maintenance department by 2/28/2025
12. 6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 13, 15, 18, 19, 27, 29, 32, and 35 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
13. 6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Shower # 63E	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Drain flies observed Shower cleaned on 11/08/2024 by overnight detainee detail
14. 6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Shower # 63E	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing Shower curtain replaced 11/09/2024
15. 6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 21 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
16. 6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.126*	Hot Water for Bathing and Hygiene: No hot water supplied to handwash sink Water fixed and Temps adjusted to 110-130 degree F on 11/15/2024 by Dep. Lorse
17. 6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Shower # 64D	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty Shower cleaned on 11/08/2024 by overnight detainee detail -Sole Source/Pavilion Floors shower repair project completed 12/23/2024
18. 6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Shower # 64G	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty Shower cleaned on 11/08/2024 by overnight detainee detail -Sole Source/Pavilion Floors shower repair project completed 12/23/2024
19. 6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Shower # 64G	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged Sole Source/Pavilion Floors shower repair project completed 12/23/2024
20. 6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell 14 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
21. 5th Floor	Medical Area	Nurse's Area	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, handwash sink out-of-order Plumbing repair made by Sgt. Allard on 11/21/2024
22. 5th Floor	Medical Area	Bathroom # 5032	105 CMR 451.126*	Hot Water for Bathing and Hygiene: No hot water supplied to handwash sink; hot water push button broken -Temps adjusted to 110-130 degree F on 11/15/2024 by Dep. Lorse

				-Medical vendor / Christina Benner notified of push button replacement needed on 11/09/2024
23. 5th Floor	Medical Housing Unit	Shower # 55C	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling dirty Shower clean on 11/8/2024
24. 5th Floor	Medical Housing Unit	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 5559 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
25. 5th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Cells # 5564- 5570	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 5567 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
26. 5th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Shower # 55B	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling dirty Shower cleaned on 11/08/2025
27. 5th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Shower # 55B	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Door frame rusted Scheduled for repaint by the maintenance department by 2/28/2025
28. 4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Shower # 41I	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing Shower curtain replaced on 11/9/2024
29. 4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 1, 5, 6, 7, 12, and 17 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
30. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42E (near cell # 15)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing Shower curtain replaced on 11/9/2024
31. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42 H (near cell # 34)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing Shower curtain replaced on 11/9/2024
32. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42I (near cell # 32)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing Shower curtain replaced on 11/9/2024
33. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42I (near cell # 32)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Debris in drain cover Shower cleaned 11/08/2024
34. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42I (near cell # 32)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall damaged near push button Sole Source/Pavilion Floors shower repair project completed for this unit on 1/17/2025.
35. 4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Cells (Unoccupied)	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 8, 12, and 25 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
36. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Shower # 43H	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain

				missing Shower curtain replaced on 11/09/2024
37. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.110(A) *	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: Electric hand dryer out-of-order Department Electrician, Robert Jackson, notified. Excepted replacement before 1/31/2025
38. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Shower # 43I (near cell # 20)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty Cleaned 11/08/2024. Power wash by overnight detail on 11/14/2024
39. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Shower # 43E	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty Cleaned 11/08/2024. Power wash by overnight detail on 11/14/2024
40. 4th Floor	Unit 4-3	Shower # 43C	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty Cleaned 11/08/202. Power wash by overnight detail on 11/14/2024
41. 4th Floor	Control 4-3 & 4-4	Staff Bathroom	105 CMR 451.126*	Hot Water for Bathing and Hygiene: Hot water temperature 72°F at handwash sink Hot water Temp adjusted by Ofc. Lorse on 11/15/2024 to 100-130 degrees F.
42. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, handwash sink leaking Repaired made on 11/17/2024 by Sgt. Allard. Replaced rubber gasket.
43. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.110(A) *	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: Electric hand dryer out-of-order Department Electrician, Robert Jackson, notified. Excepted replacement before 1/31/2025
44. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44I (near cell # 28)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling dirty Cleaned on 11/09/2024. Power wash by overnight detail on 11/14/2024
45. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44I (near cell # 28)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty Cleaned on 11/09/2024. Power wash by overnight detail on 11/14/2024
46. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44H (near cell # 9)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty Cleaned on 11/09/2024. Power wash by overnight detail on 11/14/2024
47. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44J (near Visiting Rooms)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing Shower curtain replaced on 11/09/2024
48. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Shower # 44B	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing Shower curtain replaced on 11/09/2024

49. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 9, 33, and 34 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
50. Floor 3.5	Education	Bathroom # 3521	105 CMR 451.110(A)	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No paper towels at handwash sink Hygiene supply replaced on 11/11/2024 by Buildings and ground crew
51. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22C (near slop sink room # 22D)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Dead drain flies observed on ceiling Cleaned 11/9/2024. Sole Source/Pavilion Floors shower repair product fully completed in 2-2 on 01/03/2025
52. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22C (near slop sink room # 22D)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing Shower Curtain was replaced on 11/09/2024
53. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22C (near slop sink room # 22D)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty Cleaned 11/9/2024. Sole Source/ Pavilion Floors shower repair product fully completed in 2-2 on 01/03/2025
54. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22E (near cell # 15)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Objectionable odor observed Cleaned 11/9/2024. Sole Source/ Pavilion Floors shower repair product fully completed in 2-2 on 01/03/2025
55. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22E (near cell # 15)	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Shower curtain missing Shower Curtain replaced on 11/09/2024
56. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22H (near cell # 34)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged Sole Source/ Pavilion Floors shower repair product fully completed in 2-2 on 01/03/2025
57. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Shower # 22I (near cell # 32)	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty Cleaned 11/9/2024. Sole Source/ Pavilion Floors shower repair product fully completed in 2-2 on 01/03/2025
58. 2nd Floor	Unit 2-2	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress cover missing in cell # 1, 5, 13, 15, and 17 All mattresses were replaced by Dep. Pena on 11/11/2024
59. Contact Visits/Roll Call	Classification		105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, refrigerator gaskets moldy and damaged Cleaned on 11/11/2025
60. Entry Level	Communication	s Office # 1080	105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in

compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, excessive to build-up observed in freezer Excessive loce Build-up observed in freezer was thowed on 11/18/2024 61. Entry Level Blue Shirt's Locker Room # 1075				
Handwash Sink: Electric hand dryer out-of-order Department Electrician, Robert Jockson, notified. Excepted replacement before 1/31/2025 62. Entry Level Blue Shirt's Locker Room # 1075 105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Celling tiles water damaged Replaced 12/03/2024 63. Ground Level Staff Bathroom # G5 105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Celling vent dusty Cleaned by civilian ground floor crew on 11/11/2024 64. Ground Level Staff Bathroom # G5 105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall paint damaged Schedule to be repained by 5gt. Bernard (Maintenance) before 01/31/2025 65. Ground Level Staff Bathroom # G5 105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Celling water damaged Schedule to be repained by 5gt. Bernard (Maintenance) before 01/31/2025 66. Ground Level Back Gate Control # G80 105 CMR 451.200 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, excessive ice build-up in freeze was thowed on 11/18/2024 67. Ground Level West Mechanical # G18 105 CMR 451.200 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, hot water supply leaking Repaired with new rubber gasket on 12/15/2024 by Mointenance Dept. 68. Food Service Over and Steamer Hood Area 105 CMR 451.200 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as cessary, rodent droppings observed behind ovens Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). 69. Food Service Service Cape 105 CMR 451.200 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as cessary, rodent droppings observed. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024				excessive ice build-up observed in freezer Excessive Ice Build-up in freezer was
damaged Replaced 12/03/2024	61. Entry Level	Blue Shirt's Locker Room # 1075	105 CMR 451.110(A) *	Handwash Sink: Electric hand dryer out-of-order Department Electrician, Robert Jackson, notified. Excepted
Level 64. Ground Level 65. Ground Level 66. Ground Level 66. Ground Staff Bathroom # G5 67. Ground Level 68. Food Service 68. Food Service 69. Food Service 69. Food Service 69. Food Service 60. Ground Staff Bathroom # G5 Cleaned by Civilian ground floor crew on 11/11/2024 Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024 Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024 Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024 Maintenance: Ceiling water damaged Schedule to be repointed by Sgt. Bermard (Maintenance) before 01/31/2025 Maintenance: Ceiling water damaged Schedule to be repeired by Sgt. Bermard (Maintenance) before 01/31/2025 Maintenance: Ceiling water damaged Schedule to be repeired by Sgt. Bermard (Maintenance) before 01/31/2025 Maintenance: Ceiling water damaged Schedule to be repeired by Sgt. Bermard (Maintenance) before 01/31/2025 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590,000, excessive ice build-up in freezer Excessive ice build-up in freezer was thowed on 11/18/2024 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed behind ovens. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024 Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024	62. Entry Level	Blue Shirt's Locker Room # 1075	105 CMR 451.123*	damaged
Level Schedule to be repainted by Sgt. Bernard (Maintenance) before 01/31/2025 65. Ground Level Staff Bathroom # G5 105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling water damaged Schedule to be repaired by Sgt. Bernard (Maintenance) before 01/31/2025 66. Ground Level Back Gate Control # G80 Level West Mechanical # G18 105 CMR 451.200 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, excessive ice Build-up in freezer Excessive Ice Build-up in freezer was thowed on 11/18/2024 67. Ground Level West Mechanical # G18 105 CMR 451.130* Plumbing Plumbing not maintained in good repair, hot water supply leaking Repoired with new rubber gasket on 12/15/2024 by Maintenance Dept. 68. Food Service Oven and Steamer Hood Area Oven and Steamer Hood Area 105 CMR 451.200 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed behind ovens. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024 69. Food Service Service Storage Cage 105 CMR 451.200 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024		Staff Bathroom # G5	105 CMR 451.123	Cleaned by civilian ground floor crew
Level Back Gate Control # G80 105 CMR 451.200 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, excessive lee Build-up in freezer Excessive lee Build-up in freezer was thawed on 11/18/2024 67. Ground Level West Mechanical # G18 105 CMR 451.130* Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, hot water supply leaking Repaired with new rubber gasket on 12/15/2024 by Maintenance Dept. 68. Food Service Oven and Steamer Hood Area Oven and Steamer Hood Area 105 CMR 451.200 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed behind ovens. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed behind ovens. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024		Staff Bathroom # G5	105 CMR 451.123	Schedule to be repainted by Sgt. Bernard (Maintenance) before
Level Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, excessive ice build-up in freezer Excessive ice build-up in freezer Excessive lce Build-up in freezer was thawed on 11/18/2024 67. Ground Level West Mechanical # G18 Level 105 CMR 451.130* Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, hot water supply leaking Repaired with new rubber gasket on 12/15/2024 by Maintenance Dept. Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed behind ovens. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024 69. Food Service Storage Cage 105 CMR 451.200 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned on-Site 11/08/2024		Staff Bathroom # G5	105 CMR 451.123	Schedule to be repaired by Sgt. Bernard (Maintenance) before
Level in good repair, hot water supply leaking Repaired with new rubber gasket on 12/15/2024 by Maintenance Dept. 68. Food Oven and Steamer Hood Area Service Servic		Back Gate Control # G80	105 CMR 451.200	Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, excessive ice build-up in freezer Excessive Ice Build-up in freezer was
Service Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed behind ovens. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024 69. Food Storage Cage 105 CMR 451.200 Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024	_	West Mechanical # G18	105 CMR 451.130*	in good repair, hot water supply leaking Repaired with new rubber gasket on
Service Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Cleaned On-Site 11/08/2024		Oven and Steamer Hood Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed behind ovens. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).
70. Food Vegetable Walk-in # 3 105 CMR 451.200 Limitation of Growth of Corrected		Storage Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).
	70. Food	Vegetable Walk-in # 3	105 CMR 451.200	Limitation of Growth of Corrected

Service			Organisms of Public Health Concern,	on-site
			Temperature and Time	
			Control: Refrigerated	
			time/temperature	
			control for safety food	
			prepared on site not	
			clearly marked	
			indicating the date or	
			day by which the food	
			shall be consumed or	
			discarded (Pf). Standard	
			found in 105 CMR 590;	
			FC 3-501.17(A)	
71. Food	Vegetable Walk-in # 3	105 CMR 451.200	Characteristics;	Corrected
Service	_		Condition: Food not	on-site
			safe, unadulterated,	
			and honestly presented	
			(Pf), moldy produce	
			observed. Standard	
			found in 105 CMR 590;	
			FC 3-101.11.	
72. Food	Milk Walk-in # 4	105 CMR 451.200	Preventing	Corrected
Service			Contamination after	on-site
			Receiving; Preventing	
			Food and Ingredient	
			Contamination: Food	
			not appropriately	
			covered. Standard	
			found in 105 CMR 590;	
			FC 3-302.11(A)(4).	
73. Food	Mop Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operat	ion;
Service			Premises, Structure, Atta	chments,
			and Fixtures - Methods: I	acility not
			cleaned as often as neces	ssary, rodent
			droppings observed. Star	ndard found
			in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-503	
			Cleaned On-Site 11/08/20	024

Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

20 new deficiencies and 17 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an *) were found during the inspection:

1.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1A	Storage Room # 61G	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed Cleaned on 11/08/2024
2.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1A	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed Cleaned on 11/08/2024
3.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1A	Slop Sink Room # 61B	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed Cleaned on 11/08/2024
4.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop

					stored upside down Mop placed right side up on 11/08/2024
5.	6th Floor	Unit 6-1	Second Floor Storage Room	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed Cleaned on 11/08/2024
6.	6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Hand wash sink dirty Cleaned on 11/09/2024
7.	6th Floor	Unit 6-3 (Safekeep for BPD)	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed Cleaned on 11/09/2024
8.	6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling dirty in cell # 17 Cell Ceiling cleaned by unit workers 11/18/2024
9.	6th Floor	Unit 6-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 8, 11, and 27 Blockages removed 11/13/2024
10.	5th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Storage # 5555	105 CMR 451.383(B)	Fire Safety System: Facility not in compliance with 780 CMR Massachusetts Building Code provisions for fire safety Medical Supplies moved under the 18 inch ceiling variance on 11/13/2024. Medical Dept., Christina Benner, notified to maintain this measurement.
11.	5th Floor	Medical Area	Male Staff Bathroom # 5093	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged outside bathroom Expected date of repair by the Maintenance Dept. Sgt. Bernard is before 02/28/2025
12.	4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed Cleaned 11/08/2024
13.	4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Handwash sink dirty Cleaned 11/08/2024
14.	4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Slop Sink Room # 41N	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket Mop removed and placed right side up on 11/08/2024
15.	4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed Cleaned 11/08/2024
16.	4th Floor	Unit 4-1	Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket Mop removed and placed right side up on 11/08/2024
17.	4th Floor	Unit 4-2	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed

				Cleaned on 11/09/2024
18. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Mold observed
20		201111101171124	103 0 151.555	on ceiling near closet # 44G
				Ceiling damage scheduled for repair
				before 03/31/2025
19. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall mounted
				telephone # 1 out-of-order
				Telephone #1 repaired by contractor
				Securus on 12/03/2024
20. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling
				damaged near closet # 44G
				Ceiling damage scheduled for repair
				before 03/31/2025
21. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Kitchenette	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent
				droppings observed
				Cleaned on 11/09/2024
22. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Closet # 44G	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent
22		0.0300 // 110	103 01111 1311300	droppings observed
				Cleaned on 11/09/2024
23. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop
		# 44C		stored upside down
				Mop turned right side up on
				11/08/2024
24. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Chemical bottle
		# 44C		leaking
		-		Chemical Bottle removed 11/08/2024
25. 4th Floor	Unit 4-4	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent
				blocked in cell #8
				Blockage removed 11/12/2024
26. 2nd Floor	Control 2-1 & 2-2	Main Area	105 CMR 451.353	Desk surface damaged
				Bill Shea Countertops on site for
				replacement quote 01/20/2025
27. Entry Level	vel Weight Room # 1070		105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles
,	J			damaged
				State contract bids currently out for
				gym repair. Received 1 of 3 quotes
				submitted by Roque Fitness as of
				01/02/2025
28. Ground	Store Room # G11		105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop
Level				stored in bucket
				Mope removed 11/11/2024
29. Ground	Loading Dock # G2	.6	105 CMR 451.350*	Structural Maintenance: Garage door
Level	0 11 1			not rodent and weather tight
				Maintenance notified. Scheduled for
				repair before 03/03/2025
30. Ground	Laundry Room # G	23/G29	105 CMR 451. 353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling water
Level	,	-		damaged in storage closet
				Scheduled for repair by 02/28/2025
31. Ground	Loading Dock # G2	.6	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent
Level	5 3 6			droppings observed
_2.0.				Cleaned 11/12/2024
32. Ground	Garbage Room # G	 337	105 CMR 451.350*	Structural Maintenance: Garage door
	22.2360 1100111 // C			23. 2002. 2amteriance: Garage 4001

Level				not rodent and weather tight Maintenance notified. Scheduled for
				repair before 03/03/2025
33. Ground	Garbage Room #	G37	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Rodent
Level				droppings observed on floor
				Cleaned 11/12/2024
34. Ground	Boston Police Bo	oking Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles
Level				missing, and water damaged
				Maintenance notified excepted date of report 2/1/2025
35. Ground	Male Booking	Control	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged
Level	Area			Maintenance notified excepted date of report 2/1/2025

SECTION 2: Areas Found to be in Compliance

EHRS inspected 102 additional areas of the facility which were found to be in compliance.

Section 3: Areas EHRS did not inspect

EHRS did not inspect 13 areas of the facility because they were either in use, locked, or under construction.

1. FI	loor 6.5	Storage Room # 6504		Unable to Inspect - Locked
2. FI	loor 6.5	Inmate Bathroom # 6505		Unable to Inspect - Not in Use
3. FI	loor 6.5	Inmate Bathroom # 6506		Unable to Inspect - Not in Use
4. 6t	th Floor	Unit 6-4	Storage Room # 64F	Unable to Inspect - Locked
5. 5t	th Floor	Medical Area	Room # 5029	Unable to Inspect - In Use
6. 5t	th Floor	Psychiatric Housing Unit # 5552	Shower # 55A	Unable to Inspect - In Use
7. 4t	th Floor	Unit 4-1	Shower # 41G (near cell # 10)	Unable to Inspect - In Use
8. 4t	th Floor	Unit 4-2	Storage Room # 42F	Unable to Inspect - Locked
9. 4t	th Floor	Unit 4-2	Shower # 42G	Unable to Inspect - In Use
10. FI	loor 3.5	Education	Bathroom # 3520	Unable to Inspect - In Use
11. 2r	nd Floor	Unit 2-1		Unable to Inspect - Under
				Construction
12. 2r	nd Floor	Unit 2-3		Unable to Inspect - Under
				Construction
13. 2r	nd Floor	Unit 2-4		Unable to Inspect - Under
				Construction

SECTION 5: Plan of Correction

This facility does not comply with the Department's Regulations cited above. In accordance with 105 CMR 451.404, please submit a plan of correction within 10 working days of receipt of this notice. The Plan of Correction must include:

- 1. Specific corrective steps to be taken
- 2. A timetable for the corrective actions for larger projects
- 3. The date by which correction will be achieved
- 4. Any interim measures being implemented to ensure the health and safety of incarcerated individuals and facility staff

5. The plan should be signed by the Superintendent or Administrator and submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

SECTION 4: Observations and Recommendations

- 1. The inmate population was 318 at the time of the inspection.
- 2. At the time of inspection, the EHRS recommended re-numbering all showers throughout the institution. This will assist the EHRS and Sheriff's Department employees to better recognize where issues exist.

To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at www.mass.gov/dph/dcs and click on "Correctional Facilities" 105 CMR 451.000 is available in both PDF and RTF formats. For more specific information about the food standards, you can download the merged food code, which can be found here.

An inspection may also include observations of other conditions which could constitute a threat to the health or safety of inmates or employees, including but not limited to the standards set forth by the Department as follows, and report on such pursuant to 451.402(B). You can use these links below to review these standards:

- 105 CMR 205.000: Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities
- 105 CMR 480.000: Minimum requirements for the Management of Medical or Biological Waste
- 105 CMR 500.000: Good Manufacturing Practices for Food

This inspection report is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge	
	Sincerely,
	Hannah LeBeau Environmental Health Inspector, EHRS, BCEH

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January 31, 2025

Steven W. Tompkins, Sheriff
Suffolk County Sheriff's Department
20 Bradston Street
Boston, MA 02118 (electronic copy)

Re: Plan of Correction - Suffolk County Jail, Boston

Dear Sheriff Tompkins:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Regulations and Standards (EHRS) has received your Plan of Correction in response to my inspection conducted on November 8, 2025. After review, the EHRS finds the plan addresses all the deficiencies noted with the following exceptions:

1. In instances where you indicate your department is receiving a quote for repair or "state contracts are out for bid" please provide a plan describing the interim measures you have implemented to ensure the health and safety of inmates and staff. In addition, we ask to be kept apprised of the funding progress.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, should you have any questions please contact me at the address listed above.

Sincerely.

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Hannah LeBeau

Environmental Health Inspector, EHRS, BCEH

cc: Jose Mojica, Superintendent Sergeant Tyler Crocker, EHSO/FSO (electronic copy) (electronic copy)



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February 12, 2025

Hannah LeBeau, Environmental Health Inspector Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health 5 Randolph Street Canton, MA 02021

Dear Inspector LeBeau:

I wanted to follow up on the noted deficiency (see attachment) regarding our EHRS inspection at the Nashua Street Jail.

- The entry level weight room floor tiles: The union, JOEASC, is in the process of contracting out a company to replace all flooring and workout equipment. We have posted "caution" signs (see attachment) in the gym until the redesign of the gym is completed.
- 2nd Floor Control 2-1 & 2-2 desk surface: the Department is currently seeking quotes for replacing the control booth countertops. The goal is to have them all replaced in six months.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions,

Jose Mojica

Superintendent

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March 14, 2025

Steven W. Tompkins, Sheriff Suffolk County Sheriff's Department 20 Bradston Street Boston, MA 02118 (electronic copy)

Re: Plan of Correction - Suffolk County Jail, Boston

Dear Sheriff Tompkins:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Regulations and Standards (EHRS) has received your Plan of Correction dated March 11, 2025. After review, the EHRS finds the plan addresses all the deficiencies noted.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, should you have any questions please contact me at the address listed above.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Health Inspector, EHRS, BCEH

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