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Captain Jason Graham, Compliance and Training (electronic copy)

Greetings,

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

Sincerely,

Thomas Murphy
Environmental Analyst, EHRS, BCEH

Cc:
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October 5, 2026

Patrick J. Cahillane, Sheriff
Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction
205 Rocky Hill Road
Northampton, MA 01060 (electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection – Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction, Northampton

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) staff, Thomas Murphy, conducted an inspection of the Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction on September 24, 2026, accompanied by Captain Jason Graham, Compliance and Training, and Sergeant Larry Belbin, in accordance with Department regulations 105 CMR 451.000: Minimum Health and Sanitation Standards and Inspection Procedures for Correctional Facilities.

This report identifies the number of new and repeat deficiencies which remain uncorrected since the previous inspection. The inspection identified 36 total deficiencies: 13 new deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series), 10 repeat deficiencies under the Required Standards, 10 new deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series), and 3 repeat deficiencies under the Recommended Standards.

Overview

Section 1 provides details of all deficiencies, including repeat deficiencies, found during the inspection. These are categorized by Required Standards, Recommended Standards, or additional applicable regulatory standards.

Section 2 provides information on areas that EHRS found to be compliant.

Section 3 documents the areas that EHRS did not inspect.

Section 4 provides information on submitting a Plan of Correction for the identified deficiencies.

Section 5 outlines observations and recommendations related to the inspection.

SECTION 1: Health and Safety Deficiencies

Deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series)

13 new deficiencies and 10 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an *) were found during the inspection:

	Area	Sub Area # 1	Sub Area # 2	Regulation	Description of Deficiency
1.	Special Management Unit	A Block	Lower Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty
2.	Special Management Unit	A Block	Lower Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged
3.	Special Management Unit	B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103*	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # J19
4.	Special Management Unit	B Block	Lower Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged
5.	Housing Units	Unit – 1	Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor damaged
6.	Housing Units	Unit – 2	Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged
7.	Housing Units	Unit – 5	Upper Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged
8.	Housing Units	Unit – 5	Lower Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged
9.	Housing Units	Unit – 6	Upper Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Sprinkler shroud rusted
10.	Housing Units	Unit – 6	Upper Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged
11.	Housing Units	Unit – 6	Lower Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged
12.	Housing Units	Unit - 7	Upper Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged
13.	Housing Units	Control Booth		105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, refrigerator out-of-order
14.	Lower-Level Housing	Housing Unit -1	Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls
15.	Lower-Level Housing	Housing Unit -1	Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on floor
16.	Lower-Level Housing	Housing Unit - 2	Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Soap scum on floor
17.	Lower-Level Housing	Housing Unit - 2	Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls
18.	Program Hallway	Adult Learning Center	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.124	Water Supply: Insufficient hot water supply in quantity and pressure in handwash sink
19.	Kitchen	Pot Room		105 CMR 451.200	Protection of Clean Items, Storing: Pans not stored in a self-draining position, pans stacked wet. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-903.11(B)(1).
20.	Kitchen	Serving Line		105 CMR 451.200	Hygienic Practices; Hair Restraints: Food service personnel not wearing appropriate hair restraints, beard guard not worn. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 2-402.11.

	Area	Sub Area # 1	Sub Area # 2	Regulation	Description of Deficiency
21.	Kitchen	Dishwashing Area		105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Equipment: Warewashing machine not operating in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, wash and rinse temperatures not in accordance with data plate. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.15(A). ****Corrected On-Site****
22.	Kitchen	Dishwashing Area		105 CMR 451.200	Sanitization of Equipment and Utensils; Methods: Mechanical warewash machine does not achieve a utensil surface temperature of 160°F as measured by an irreversible registering temperature indicator (Pf). Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-703.11(B). ****Corrected On-Site ****
23.	Kitchen	Dishwashing Area		105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Inadequate water temperature in the mechanical warewashing machine (Pf), final rinse temperature not in accordance with data plate. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.112(A)(2). ****Corrected On-Site****

Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)
10 new deficiencies and 3 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an *) were found during the inspection:

	Area	Sub Area # 1	Sub Area # 2	Regulation	Description of Deficiency
1.	Administration	Main Control		105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tile water damaged
2.	Special Management Unit	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor paint damaged outside cell # J6
3.	Special Management Unit	B Block	Upper Tier	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tile damaged outside upper shower
4.	Housing Units	House 1 Control		105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged
5.	Housing Units	Unit – 5	Storage Closet (lower)	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent dusty
6.	Housing Units	Unit – 7	Storage Closet (lower)	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent dusty
7.	Housing Units	Unit – 8	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor trim damaged in cell # 73
8.	Housing Units	Unit – 8	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged outside cell # 78
9.	Housing Units	Unit – 8	Storage Closet (lower)	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent dusty
10.	Program Hallway	Wood Shop		105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tile missing

	Area	Sub Area # 1	Sub Area # 2	Regulation	Description of Deficiency
11.	Visiting Strip Search Area	Mop Closet		105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty
12.	Laundry			105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Washer # 2 out-of-order
13.	Laundry			105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Dryer # 1 out-of-order

SECTION 2: Areas Found to be in Compliance

EHRS inspected 201 additional areas of the facility which were found to be in compliance.

SECTION 3: Areas EHRS did not inspect

EHRS did not inspect 14 areas of the facility because they were either in use, locked, or under construction.

	Area	Sub Area # 1	Sub Area # 2	Description of Deficiency
1.	Special Management Unit	A Block	Cells	Unable to Inspect – Cell # J1 out-of-order
2.	Special Management Unit	A Block	Storage Closet (upper)	Unable to Inspect – Not in Use
3.	Special Management Unit	B Block	Storage Closet (upper)	Unable to Inspect – Not in Use
4.	Housing Units	Unit – 3	Storage Closet (upper)	Unable to Inspect – Not in Use
5.	Housing Units	Unit – 4	Lower Shower	Unable to Inspect – In Use
6.	Housing Units	Unit – 4	Storage Closet (upper)	Unable to Inspect – Not in Use
7.	Housing Units	Unit – 5	Storage Closet (upper)	Unable to Inspect – Not in Use
8.	Housing Units	Unit – 6	Storage Closet (upper)	Unable to Inspect – Not in Use
9.	Housing Units	Unit – 7	Storage Closet (upper)	Unable to Inspect – Not in Use
10.	Housing Units	Unit – 8	Storage Closet (upper)	Unable to Inspect – Not in Use
11.	Main Building Gym	Female Staff Locker Room		Unable to Inspect – Locked
12.	Main Building Gym	Bathroom (located within Female Staff Locker Room)		Unable to Inspect – Locked
13.	Modular Units	Old Dining Area/Case Worker's Area	Dental Office	Unable to Inspect – Locked
14.	Modular Units	Culinary Arts Kitchen		Unable to Inspect – Under Construction

SECTION 4: 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 which includes:

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. A signature by the Superintendent or Administrator responsible for the plan. The signed plan should be submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

SECTION 5: Observations and Recommendations

1. The inmate population was 122 at the time of inspection.
2. During the kitchen inspection, the warewash machine was not operating in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and unable to sanitize dishes. Staff immediately began repairs and used single use trays until repairs were completed. After repairs were completed, the EHRS re-inspected the warewash machine and confirmed it was operating in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
3. The South Housing Unit in the Modular Building was unoccupied at the time of the inspection.
4. At the time of inspection, the EHRS recommended numbering all showers throughout the institution. This will assist the EHRS and County Sheriff's employees to better recognize where issues exist.

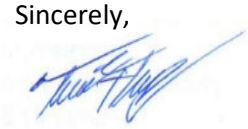
To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at www.mass.gov/dph/dcs and click on "Correctional Facilities" 105 CMR 451.000 available in both PDF and RTF formats. For more specific information about the food standards, you can download the merged food code, which can be found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



Thomas Murphy
Environmental Analyst, EHRS, BCEH

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October 5th, 2026

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Office Health & Human Services
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23 Service Center Road
Northampton, MA 01060

Re: Hampshire County Jail & HOC Inspection dated October 5th, 2026

Dear Mr. Murphy,

At your request the following items have been addressed, please refer to the enclosed documentation for the corrective actions that have been taken.

Sincerely yours,

Patrick J. Cahillane
Sheriff

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2.	Special Management Unit	A Block	Lower Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged Awaiting approval from DCAM for repairs or replacement of the showers, anticipation that moneys will be appropriated in fiscal year 2027, with replacement date of 2/5/27
3.	Special Management Unit	B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103*	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # J19 Mattress replaced on 10/5/26
4.	Special Management Unit	B Block	Lower Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged Awaiting approval from DCAM for repairs or replacement of the showers, anticipation that moneys will be appropriated in fiscal year 2027, with replacement date of 2/5/27
5.	Housing Units	Unit – 1	Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor damaged Awaiting approval from DCAM for repairs or replacement of the showers, anticipation that moneys will be appropriated in fiscal year 2027, with replacement date of 2/5/27
6.	Housing Units	Unit – 2	Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged Awaiting approval from DCAM for repairs or replacement of the showers, anticipation that moneys will be appropriated in fiscal year 2027, with replacement date of 2/5/27
7.	Housing Units	Unit – 5	Upper Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged Awaiting approval from DCAM for repairs or replacement of the showers, anticipation that moneys will be appropriated in fiscal year 2027, with replacement date of 2/5/27
8.	Housing Units	Unit – 5	Lower Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged Awaiting approval from DCAM for repairs or replacement of the showers, anticipation that moneys will be appropriated in fiscal year 2027, with replacement date of 2/5/27
9.	Housing Units	Unit – 6	Upper Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Sprinkler shroud rusted Maintenance staff will contact sprinkler company for replacement part. Maintenance staff will replace part by 1/5/27.
10.	Housing Units	Unit – 6	Upper Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged Awaiting approval from DCAM for repairs or replacement of the showers, anticipation that moneys will be appropriated in fiscal year 2027, with replacement date of 2/5/27
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12.	Housing Units	Unit - 7	Upper Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor epoxy damaged Awaiting approval from DCAM for repairs or replacement of the showers, anticipation that moneys will be appropriated in fiscal year 2027, with replacement date of 2/5/27
13.	Housing Units	Control Booth		105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, refrigerator out-of-order Refrigerator will be replace by 11/5/26
14.	Lower-Level Housing	Housing Unit -1	Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls Staff and inmate workers retrained on proper cleaning procedure. Shower cleaned as of 10/6/26
15.	Lower-Level Housing	Housing Unit -1	Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on floor Staff and inmate workers retrained on proper cleaning procedure. Shower cleaned as of 10/6/26
16.	Lower-Level Housing	Housing Unit - 2	Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Soap scum on floor Staff and inmate workers retrained on proper cleaning procedure. Shower cleaned as of 10/6/26
17.	Lower-Level Housing	Housing Unit - 2	Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls Staff and inmate workers retrained on proper cleaning procedure. Showers cleaned as of 10/6/26
18.	Program Hallway	Adult Learning Center	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.124	Water Supply: Insufficient hot water supply in quantity and pressure in handwash sink Maintenance will adjust water pressure on hand wash sink by 12/5/26
19.	Kitchen	Pot Room		105 CMR 451.200	Protection of Clean Items, Storing: Pans not stored in a self-draining position, pans stacked wet. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-903.11(B)(1). Staff and inmates retrained on proper storages of pans. Pans stored correctly as of 10/6/26
20.	Kitchen	Serving Line		105 CMR 451.200	Hygienic Practices; Hair Restraints: Food service personnel not wearing appropriate hair restraints, beard guard not worn. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 2-402.11. Staff retrained on proper food safety procedures. Personnel following proper procedures as of 10/6/26
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2.	Special Management Unit	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor paint damaged outside cell # J6 Maintenance will repaint the floor by 1/5/27
3.	Special Management Unit	B Block	Upper Tier	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tile damaged outside upper shower Maintenance replaced floor 10/5/26
4.	Housing Units	House 1 Control		105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged The floor replacement project is currently open for bidding, expected replacement date of 1/5/27
5.	Housing Units	Unit – 5	Storage Closet (lower)	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent dusty Wall vent cleaned 10/5/26
6.	Housing Units	Unit – 7	Storage Closet (lower)	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent dusty Wall vent cleaned 10/5/26
7.	Housing Units	Unit – 8	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor trim damaged in cell # 73 Maintenance will replace floor trim by 12/5/26
8.	Housing Units	Unit – 8	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged outside cell # 78 Maintenance will replace floor tiles by 12/5/26
9.	Housing Units	Unit – 8	Storage Closet (lower)	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent dusty Wall vent cleaned 10/5/26
10.	Program Hallway	Wood Shop		105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tile missing Maintenance will replace missing tile by 12/5/26
11.	Visiting Strip Search Area	Mop Closet		105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty Wall vent cleaned 10/5/26
12.	Laundry			105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Washer # 2 out-of-order Replacement parts on order, arrival of parts

Area	Sub Area # 1	Sub Area # 2	Regulation	Description of Deficiency
				expected by 10/9/26. Repair of machine expected by 10/30./26
13. Laundry			105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Dryer # 1 out-of-order Replacement parts on order, arrival of parts expected 10/9/26. Repair of machine expected by 10/30/26

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Patrick J. Cahillane, Sheriff
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Re: Plan of Correction - Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction, Northampton

Dear Sheriff Cahillane:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) has received your Plan of Correction in response to an inspection on September 24, 2026. 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,

Thomas Murphy
Environmental Analyst, EHRS, BCEH

cc: Glen Sexton, Superintendent (electronic copy)
Captain Jason Graham, Compliance and Training (electronic copy)