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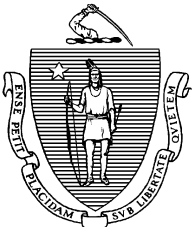
Greetings,

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

Sincerely,

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January 17, 2025

Kevin F. Coppinger, Sheriff  
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Middleton, MA 01949 (electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection – Essex County Correctional Facility, Middleton

Dear Sheriff Coppinger:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health's, Bureau of Climate and Environmental Health (BCEH) reorganized and consolidated its seven programs into six divisions. The Community Sanitation Program is now the Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS). Our division continues to support correctional facilities and has added expertise for indoor air quality assessments for schools and other municipal and state facilities. EHRS also used this opportunity to revise and update the format of the correctional bi-annual inspection reports. This revised format clarifies new and repeat deficiencies outlined in regulation 105 CMR 451.000 and organizes deficiencies based on the 451.100, 451.200 and 451.300 series of provisions, as well as other conditions that may constitute a threat to health and safety.

Throughout this process we understand there has been a delay in receiving your inspection report and we appreciate your patience and understanding as we finalize the new report template. As you receive your reports, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Riordan".

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Dear Sheriff Coppinger:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) conducted an inspection of the Essex County Correctional Facility on October 22 and 23, 2024 accompanied by Lieutenant Steve Wilkins, 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.

The inspection identified 312 total deficiencies: 142 deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series), 51 repeat deficiencies under the Required Standards, 80 deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series), and 39 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

### Records/I.T./Visits Area

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

3 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1.	Roll Call Room	Male Bathroom # 1169	105 CMR 451.124	Water Supply: Discolored water observed at handwash sink
2.	Roll Call Room	Female Bathroom # 1168	105 CMR 451.124	Water Supply: Discolored water observed at handwash sink
3.	Records Hallway	Male Staff Bathroom # 1010	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

### Holding Unit Hallway

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

3 new deficiencies and 2 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Holding Unit # 1022	Safe Keep Room	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged, 1 mattress damaged
2.	Holding Unit # 1022	Sleeping Area	105 CMR 451.104	Beds: Bed not in good repair at bunk # 4, bed frame damaged
3.	Holding Unit # 1022	Medical Office	105 CMR 451.110(B)	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No waste receptacle at handwash sink
4.	Holding Unit # 1022	Holding Tanks # 1-4	105 CMR 451.104*	Beds: Bed not in good repair in cell # 4, bed frame damaged
5.	Holding Unit # 1022	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling vent cover missing

### Food Service Area

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

30 new deficiencies and 16 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection.

1.	Entire Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, floor surface damaged and stained throughout food service area. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).	
2.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200*	Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Frequency: Nonfood contact surfaces of equipment not cleaned at a frequency necessary to preclude accumulation of soil residues, drying rack dirty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-602.13.	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
3.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200*	Protection of Clean Items; Drying: Cleaned, sanitized equipment and utensils not allowed to fully air dry before contact with food. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-901.11(A).	<b>Corrected on-site</b>

4.	Mechanical Tray Warewash 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).
5.	Mechanical Tray Warewash Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Water pressure for the sanitizing rinse in a mechanical warewash machine not within the range specified on the manufacturer's data plate. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.113.
6.	Entire Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Equipment: Quaternary ammonium compound (QAC) solution lower than the manufacturers recommended concentration, sanitizing solution missing from prepared sanitizing buckets. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.114(C)(2). <b>Corrected on-site</b>
7.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Equipment: Quaternary ammonium compound (QAC) solution lower than the manufacturers recommended concentration in 3-compartment sink. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.114(C)(2). <b>Corrected on-site</b>
8.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, floor dirty throughout. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).
9.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, paint damaged on access panel on floor near drying rack. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11.
10.	Spray Room	105 CMR 451.200	Plumbing System; Operation and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, stopper not functioning on wall mounted spigot. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 5-205.15(B).
11.	Walk-In Refrigerator # 1	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, water leaking into refrigerator. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A).
12.	Walk-In Refrigerator # 1	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, threshold rusted. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A).
13.	Walk-In Refrigerator # 1	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, pooling water on floor throughout refrigerator. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).
14.	Walk-In Refrigerator # 1	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, ceiling dusty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).

15. Freezer # 2	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, pooling water/ice on floor creating unsafe conditions. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).
16. Freezer # 2	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, floorboards warped and uneven throughout freezer. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A).
17. Freezer # 2	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, floor dirty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).
18. Walk-In Cooler # 3	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, wall paint damaged. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11.
19. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, column damaged near oven. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11.
20. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, one oven out-of-order. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A).
21. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, baseboards dirty throughout preparation area. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).
22. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Equipment: Quaternary ammonium compound (QAC) solution lower than the manufacturers recommended concentration. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.114(C)(2).
23. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Frequency: Nonfood contact surfaces of equipment not cleaned at a frequency necessary to preclude accumulation of soil residues, drying rack dirty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-602.13.
24. Pull Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Objective: Food contact surface dirty (Pf), slicer dirty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-601.11(A). <b>Corrected on-site</b>
25. Pull Cage	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Ceiling left unfinished. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11.
26. Kettle Hood Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, one kettle out-of-order. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A).
27. Kettle Hood Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Wall damaged near tilt skillet. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11.

28. Front Hoods and Tray Preparation Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, floor dirty under front preparation tables. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).	
29. Oven Hood Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, wall damaged near oven # 3. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11.	
30. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200	Protection from Contamination After Receiving; Preventing Contamination from Equipment, Utensils, and Linens: Utensil handle not stored above the food in the container, handles observed in food on serving line. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-304.12(B).	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
31. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200	Hygienic Practices; Hair Restraints: Food service personnel not wearing appropriate hair restraints, beard guards not worn correctly. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 2-402.11.	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
32. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200*	Limitation of Growth of Organisms of Public Health Concern, Temperature and Time Control: Time/temperature control for safety food not held at 135°F or above (Pf), ground beef temperature recorded at 105°F and sauce recorded at 120°F. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-501.16(A)(1).	
33. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200*	Design and Construction, Functionality: Hot/cold holding equipment not equipped with a permanently affixed temperature measuring device, thermometer broken. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-204.112(B).	
34. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200*	Numbers and Capacities, Equipment: Insufficient cold holding equipment in number and capacity (Pf), insufficient equipment available to maintain proper hot holding temperatures on serving line. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-301.11.	
35. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200*	Labeling and Identification, Working Containers: Working container of poisonous/toxic materials missing common name of material (Pf), soap used in sanitizer buckets. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 7-102.11.	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
36. Inmate Break Room	105 CMR 451.200	Preventing Contamination after Receiving; Preventing Food and Ingredient Contamination: Food not appropriately covered, ice left uncovered. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-302.11(A)(4).	
37. Inmate Break Room	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Premises not maintained free of insects, flies observed throughout break room. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.111.	

38. Inmate Break Room	105 CMR 451.200	Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Frequency: Interior of microwave oven not cleaned every 24 hours. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-602.12(B).	
39. Chemical Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.200	Plumbing System; Operation and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, backflow preventer leaking. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 5-205.15(B).	
40. Chemical Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.200*	Plumbing System; Operation and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, no cold water available at slop sink. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 5-205.15(B).	
41. Male Staff Bathroom # 1200	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Handwash sink dirty	
42. Inmate Bathroom # 1029	105 CMR 451.110(A)	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No paper towels at handwash sink	
43. Inmate Bathroom # 1029	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged	
44. Back Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed on floor. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
45. Back Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, floor dirty under storage racks. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A).	
46. Back Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Protection from Contamination After Receiving, Preventing Food and Ingredient Contamination: Food or food ingredients that have been removed from original packages not labeled with common name of food, unlabeled spices. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-302.12.	

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

4 new deficiencies and 5 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1. Inmate Bathroom # 2002	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall board damaged
2. I1-Isolation Room # 2005	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell
3. R1 # 2009	105 CMR 451.117	Toilet Fixtures: Toilet fixtures dirty in cell
4. R5 # 2014	105 CMR 451.104	Beds: Bed not in good repair, 1 bed frame damaged
5. R5 Dorm Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Bathroom door rusted
6. R5 Dorm Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall access panel rusted in bathroom
7. Staff Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty
8. Inmate Shower # 2017	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty
9. Inmate Shower # 2017	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall tile grout dirty



**Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)**

16 new deficiencies and 3 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	I1-Isolation Room # 2005	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged
2.	I1-Isolation Room # 2005	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall joints damaged
3.	I1-Isolation Room # 2005	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space dorm room
4.	I2-Isolation Room # 2006	105 CMR 451.322	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in dorm room
5.	I2-Isolation Room # 2006	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged
6.	I2-Isolation Room # 2006	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Baseboard damaged
7.	R1 # 2009	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Walls dirty
8.	R1 # 2009	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor Dirty
9.	R2 # 2010	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Walls dirty
10.	R2 # 2010	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor dirty
11.	R2 # 2010	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged
12.	R3 # 2011	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Walls dirty
13.	R3 # 2011	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor dirty
14.	Safe Keep Room # 2007	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tile not secured to ceiling
15.	Janitor's Closet # 2008	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket
16.	R5 # 2014	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in dorm room
17.	R6 # 2015	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in dorm room
18.	R6 # 2015	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall board damaged
19.	Room # 2037	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor dirty

**240 Building (J)****Deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series)**

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

1.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.102	Pillows and Linens: No pillow in cell # 519
2.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor rusted in shower # 3
3.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 8
4.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty outside shower # 2, 3, 7, 8, and 9
5.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling rusted in shower # 6 and 8
6.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Light out in shower # 8
7.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Drain flies observed in shower # 1 and 4
8.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor rusted in shower # 7
9.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 6 and 7

10. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in shower # 1, 2, 3, and 9
11. A Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Debris in floor drain
12. B Block	Slop Sink Room (downstairs)	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, drain cover missing
13. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 756
14. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103*	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 714
15. C Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Mold on caulking in shower # 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, and 8
16. C Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty in shower # 1
17. C Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling cracked above shower # 4
18. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 804
19. D Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.130*	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, drain cover missing on slop sink
20. D Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor damaged throughout shower area

**Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)**

22 new deficiencies and 22 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1. Entrance	Door	105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Entrance door not rodent and weathertight, door unable to fully close
2. A Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall water damaged about cell # 537 and 555
3. A Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles and supports rusted
4. A Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall water damaged above cell #531
5. A Block	Upper Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor drain uncapped, hole in floor
6. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 537, 548, 553, 559, and 560
7. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles missing outside cell # 515
8. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 537 and 557
9. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Top of chair missing in cell # 518
10. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 552
11. B Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Bird observed in block
12. B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 617 and 621
13. B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Desk chair missing in cell # 631, 635, 638, 643, 644, 647, 649, and 653
14. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 708 and 711
15. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 711

16. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Desk chair missing in cell # 749
17. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Top of chair missing in cell # 704
18. D Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Bird observed in block
19. D Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles water stained
20. D Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle
21. D Block	Upper Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor drain uncapped, hole in floor
22. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles missing in cell # 817, 826, and 854
23. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles missing in cell # 822 and 860
24. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 813
25. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Top of chair missing in cell # 845 and 848

### Program Building (K)

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

2 new deficiencies and 1 repeat deficiency (indicated by an \*) was found during the inspection:

1. Lower Programs	Female Staff Bathroom # 1016	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall tiles behind toilet missing
2. Upper Programs	Female Staff Bathroom # 2025	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty
3. Upper Programs	Male Staff Bathroom # 2024	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

#### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

3 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1. Lower Programs	Exterior Hallway Door	105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Exterior door not rodent and weathertight, weather stripping damaged
2. Upper Programs	Slop Sink # 1278	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket
3. Upper Programs	Offices	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tile water damaged in Office # 2031

### Vocational Education Building

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

2 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1. Laundry		105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, lint trap behind washing machines leaking
2. M.A.P. Area Staff Bathroom		105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling water damaged

**Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)**

3 new deficiencies and 3 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	First Floor Storage	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles missing
2.	Voke Hallway	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall rotted at end of hallway
3.	Voke Hallway	105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Exterior emergency exit ramp for Upper Voke damaged
4.	Voke Hallway	105 CMR 451.350*	Structural Maintenance: Exterior door at end of hallway not rodent and weathertight
5.	M.A.P. Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles damaged in far-right office
6.	M.A.P. Area Exam Room	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles water stained

**120 Building (F)****Deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series)**

28 new deficiencies and 1 repeat deficiency (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.102	Pillows and Linens: Insufficient linens available for inmates in cell # 123
2.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.101	Blankets: Blanket not available for inmate in cell #123
3.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 125 and 147
4.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.113	Toilet and Handwashing Sink in Locked Cells: No working toilet in cell # 160, toilet out-of-order
5.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # 6 out-of-order
6.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.130	Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 85°F at shower # 9
7.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9
8.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged outside shower # 9
9.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Pooling water on floor outside all showers
10.	A Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, handicapped shower out-of-order
11.	A Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty
12.	A Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Bench dirty
13.	B Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food preparation not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior of microwave oven dirty
14.	B Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 4, 5, 6, and 7
15.	B Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 9
16.	B Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty outside shower # 1 and 2

17. B Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Light out in shower # 3 and 9
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**Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)**

24 new deficiencies and 2 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1. A Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Bird observed in block
2. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 101, 111, 114, 120, 123, 131, 140, 143, and 150
3. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 114, 125, 132, 139, 150, and 155
4. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Debris in window in cell # 103 and 133
5. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall water damaged near window in cell # 112
6. B Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Flies observed
7. B Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle
8. B Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket
9. B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall damaged around window in cell # 243
10. B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles missing in cell # 210
11. B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 231 and 244

**60 Building (G)**

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

12 new deficiencies and 8 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1. Cell Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.102	Pillows and Linens: No pillow available for inmate in cell # 330
2. Cell Block	Lower Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on wall in shower # 2
3. Cell Block	Lower Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Mold on floor outside shower # 1, 3, and 4
4. Cell Block	Lower Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged outside all showers
5. Cell Block	Lower Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty outside shower # 4
6. Cell Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged
7. Cell Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor dirty
8. Cell Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.130*	Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 90°F
9. Cell Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.130*	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, drain cover missing
10. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty outside shower # 5, 8, and 9
11. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on floor in shower # 7

12. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 7 and 8
13. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged in shower # 8 and 9
14. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall dirty outside shower # 9

**Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)**

9 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1. Cell Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 305, 310, 315, 331, 335, 336, and 353
2. Cell Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged in cell # 349
3. Cell Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall damaged under window in cell # 319

**80 Building (H)**

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

28 new deficiencies and 6 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1. Lower 80 – First Floor	Common Area	105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior lid of ice machine dirty
2. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7
3. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Curtain missing in shower # 1
4. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty in shower # 1 and 2
5. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 3 and 5
6. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Mold on ceiling outside shower # 7
7. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling vents dusty throughout bathroom
8. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 1
9. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty in shower # 7
10. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.126*	Hot Water for Bathing and Hygiene: Hot water temperature 85 °F at handwash sink # R1

11. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged above showers
12. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Common Area	105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior lid of ice machine dirty
13. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 3
14. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
15. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Curtain missing at shower # 1
16. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on curtain at shower # 4 and 5
17. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall damaged in toilet stall # 1, 2, and 3
18. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Handwash sink # R1 dirty
19. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 5
20. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged above toilet stalls
21. Upper 80 – Second Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in Dorm Room # 419

#### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

2 new deficiencies and 6 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1. Lower 80 – First Floor	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged near ice machine
2. Lower 80 – First Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Baseboard missing in Dorm Room # 406
3. Lower 80 – First Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all dorm rooms
4. Lower 80 – First Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Uncovered junction box in Dorm Room # 406

5.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Control	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling grille missing
6.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.340*	Illumination: Insufficient lighting, light out in Dorm Room # 420
7.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Slop Sink Room (near bathroom)	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle
8.	Upper 80 – First Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all dorm rooms

## Gym Building (I)

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

2 new deficiencies and 2 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Inmate Bathroom		105 CMR 451.110(A)	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No paper towels at handwash sink
2.	Inmate Bathroom		105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Paper towel dispenser missing
3.	Inmate Bathroom		105 CMR 451.110(A)*	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No toilet paper in stall #1
4.	Storage Room/Officer's Bathroom		105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged

### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

2 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Entrance		105 CMR 451.350*	Structural Maintenance: Exterior siding damaged near entrance
2.	Weight Area		105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Hole in wall under phones

## Intake Building

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

3 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1.	Intake Area	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, toilet leaking
2.	Intake Area	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Pooling water on floor
3.	Intake Area	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty around drain

### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

1 new deficiency and 1 repeat deficiency (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Intake Area	Handicapped Bathroom	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Eye wash station dirty outside Handicapped Bathroom
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2. Intake Area	Custodial Closet	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket
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## **SECTION 2: Areas Found to be in Compliance**

EHRIS inspected 181 additional areas of the facility which were found to be in compliance.

## **Section 3: Areas EHRIS did not inspect**

EHRIS did not inspect 36 areas of the facility because they were either in use, locked, or under repair.

1. First Floor	Administration Hallway	Storage Room # 1007	Unable to Inspect – Locked
2. First Floor	Administration Hallway	Small Conference Room # 1015	Unable to Inspect – In Use
3. Records/I.T./Visits Area	Visitor Area	Office # 1001A	Unable to Inspect – Locked
4. Records/I.T./Visits Area	Roll Call Room	Muster Room	Unable to Inspect – Locked
5. Records/I.T./Visits Area	Records Hallway	Nursing Mother's Room # 1009	Unable to Inspect – Locked
6. Records/I.T./Visits Area	Records Hallway	Property Room # 1013	Unable to Inspect – Locked
7. Holding Unit Hallway # 1017	Lawyer Interview Rooms # 1032		Unable to Inspect – In Use
8. Health Services Unit (H.S.U.)	Medication Administration	Storage Room # 2038	Unable to Inspect – Locked
9. Health Services Unit (H.S.U.)	Storage # 2016		Unable to Inspect – Locked
10. Health Services Unit (H.S.U.)	R6 Dorm Bathroom		Unable to Inspect – In Use
11. 240 BUILDING (J)	B Block	Counselor's Office (upstairs)	Unable to Inspect – Not Used
12. 240 BUILDING (J)	B Block	Shower Area	Unable to Inspect – In Use
13. 240 BUILDING (J)	C & D Control	Control Bathroom	Unable to Inspect – In Use
14. PROGRAM BUILDING (K)	Lower Programs	Clergy # 1006	Unable to Inspect – Locked
15. PROGRAM BUILDING (K)	Upper Programs	Bathroom # 1277	Unable to Inspect – Locked
16. PROGRAM BUILDING (K)	Upper Programs	Conference Room # 2036	Unable to Inspect – In Use
17. Vocational Education Building	First Floor	New Bathroom (outside Laundry)	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
18. Vocational Education Building	Voke 1 (Unoccupied)		Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
19. Vocational Education Building	Voke 2 (Unoccupied)		Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
20. Vocational Education Building	Voke 3 (Unoccupied)		Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
21. Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Inmate Bathroom	Unable to Inspect – Locked

22. Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Warehouse # 0911	Unable to Inspect – Locked
23. Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Barber Shop	Unable to Inspect – Locked
24. Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Storage Room	Unable to Inspect – Locked
25. Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Maintenance Office # 0919	Unable to Inspect – Locked
26. Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Storage Closet (outside Voke 3)	Unable to Inspect – Locked
27. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Office # 2002	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
28. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Classroom # 2011	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
29. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	M.A.P. Offices	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
30. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	M.A.P. Area Cabinet	Unable to Inspect – Locked
31. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Counselor’s Office # 2003	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
32. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Laundry Room # 2004	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
33. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Staff Bathroom # 2005	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
34. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Slop Sink Room # 2006	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
35. 120 Building (F)	A Block	Meeting Room	Unable to Inspect – Locked
36. Gym Building (I)	Shower Room		Unable to Inspect – Not Used

**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. 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 820 at the time of inspection.
2. At the time of the inspection EHRs recommended:
  - a. Installing a privacy partition in the safe keep room of Holding Unit # 1022;
  - b. Numbering all showers throughout the institution to assist EHRs and facility employees to better recognize where issues exist; and
  - c. Numbering the offices, bathroom, and exam room throughout the M.A.P. area.

3. The Vocational Education Building continues to be under construction and is not housing inmates. EHRS observed the conditions listed below, and if left uncorrected, may lead to health and safety concerns when brought back on-line to house inmates:
  - a. Cement board water damaged behind remaining wall tiles in the showers of the VOKE 1 Bathroom;
  - b. Back exterior wall rotted near the emergency exit in VOKE 2;
  - c. Wall rotted near the emergency exit on the first floor VOKE Hallway;
  - d. Exterior door not rodent and weathertight at the end of the first floor VOKE hallway;
  - e. Exterior emergency exit ramp for Upper Voke damaged;
  - f. Extension cord running through a window in the Warehouse # 0911; and
  - g. Roof leaking.
4. During the Kitchen Inspection:
  - a. EHRS noted either detergent or water with no sanitizing solution within all sanitizing buckets and the 3-compartment sink while the kitchen was actively in use. It was determined that soap was continuing to be incorrectly placed in sanitizing buckets and the sanitizing dispenser was not dispensing any sanitizing solution. Sanitizing solution was manually made, however, EHRS strongly recommended:
    - i. Additional kitchen staff be trained on how to properly mix the sanitizing solution;
    - ii. Kitchen staff develop a sanitizing distribution procedure to ensure sanitizing solutions of the proper concentration are distributed within the sanitizing buckets throughout the kitchen; and
    - iii. Kitchen staff develop a procedure to test the sanitizing solution when made as well as throughout each shift to ensure the proper concentrations are maintained.
  - b. EHRS observed clean and dirty kitchen uniforms strewn about the inmate Changing Room # 1027. EHRS recommended that a new uniform distribution policy be developed to more clearly separate clean and dirty uniforms.

To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at [www.mass.gov/dph/dcs](http://www.mass.gov/dph/dcs) and click on "Correctional Facilities" [105 CMR 451.000](#), it 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,



Kerry Wagner, MPH  
Field Supervisor, EHRS, BCEH



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Dear Ms. Wagner,

This letter is in response to the plan of correction letter sent to us on January 17, 2025. I hope the attached corrective action report answers your concerns in full. If you have any questions regarding this report or our response, please do not hesitate to contact Lieutenant Steven Wilkins at (978)750-1900 ext.3280 or myself at (978)750-1900 ext.3356.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Aaron Eastman".

Aaron Eastman  
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January 17, 2025

Kevin F. Coppinger, Sheriff  
Essex County Sheriff's Department Headquarters  
20 Manning Avenue  
Middleton, MA 01949 (electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection – Essex County Correctional Facility, Middleton

Dear Sheriff Coppinger:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) conducted an inspection of the Essex County Correctional Facility on October 22 and 23, 2024 accompanied by Lieutenant Steve Wilkins, 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.

The inspection identified 312 total deficiencies: 142 deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series), 51 repeat deficiencies under the Required Standards, 80 deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series), and 39 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

### Records/I.T./Visits Area

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

3 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1.	Roll Call Room	Male Bathroom # 1169	105 CMR 451.124	Water Supply: Discolored water observed at handwash sink <b>Maintenance work was being conducted during testing. System was flushed by facility plumber and water returned to normal color. Completed 10/23/24</b>
2.	Roll Call Room	Female Bathroom # 1168	105 CMR 451.124	Water Supply: Discolored water observed at handwash sink <b>Maintenance work was being conducted during testing. System was flushed by facility plumber and water returned to normal color. Completed 10/23/24</b>
3.	Records Hallway	Male Staff Bathroom # 1010	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty <b>Ceiling vent cleaned by inmate worker. Completed 10/23/24</b>

### Holding Unit Hallway

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

3 new deficiencies and 2 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Holding Unit # 1022	Safe Keep Room	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged, 1 mattress Damaged <b>Mattress removed from area and replaced by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24</b>
2.	Holding Unit # 1022	Sleeping Area	105 CMR 451.104	Beds: Bed not in good repair at bunk # 4, bed frame damaged <b>Bed removed from area by unit staff. Completed 10/24/24</b>
3.	Holding Unit # 1022	Medical Office	105 CMR 451.110(B)	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No waste receptacle at handwash sink <b>Waste basket placed by sink by unit staff. Completed 10/24/24</b>
4.	Holding Unit # 1022	Holding Tanks # 1-4	105 CMR 451.104*	Beds: Bed not in good repair in cell # 4, bed frame damaged <b>Bed removed from area by unit staff. Completed 10/24/24</b>
5.	Holding Unit # 1022	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling vent cover missing <b>Vent scheduled to be installed by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/15/25</b>

### Food Service Area

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

30 new deficiencies and 16 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection.

1.	Entire Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, floor surface damaged and stained throughout food service area. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). <b>due to the large cost, Floor is being resurfaced</b>
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section by section by contracted vendors. Estimated completion Dec 2025

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2.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200*	Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Frequency: Nonfood contact surfaces of equipment not cleaned at a frequency necessary to preclude accumulation of soil residues, drying rack dirty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-602.13. <b>Corrected on site and a cleaning plan was gone over by the vendor with the inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24</b>	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
3.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200*	Protection of Clean Items; Drying: Cleaned, sanitized equipment and utensils not allowed to fully air dry before contact with food. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-901.11(A). <b>Corrected on site and a cleaning plan was gone over by the vendor with the inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24</b>	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
4.	Mechanical Tray Warewash 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). <b>Contracted vendor had the tray machine fixed by an outside vendor and brought up to 165 degrees surface temperature. Completed 10/29/24</b>	
5.	Mechanical Tray Warewash Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Water pressure for the sanitizing rinse in a mechanical warewash machine not within the range specified on the manufacturer's data plate. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.113. <b>Contracted vendor had the tray machine fixed by an outside vendor and brought up to proper pressure as indicated on the manufacturers data sheet. Completed 10/29/24</b>	
6.	Entire Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Equipment: Quaternary ammonium compound (QAC) solution lower than the manufacturers recommended concentration, sanitizing solution missing from prepared sanitizing buckets. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.114(C)(2). <b>Corrected on site and a sanitizing plan was gone over by the vendor with the contracted staff. Completed 10/24/24</b>	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
7.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Equipment: Quaternary ammonium compound (QAC) solution lower than the manufacturers recommended concentration in 3-compartment sink. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.114(C)(2). <b>Corrected on site and the contracted vendor had an outside vendor come in and repair the dispensing</b>	<b>Corrected on-site</b>

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			<p>machine to proper concentrations.  Implemented a double check by vendor staff with daily checks of the concentration level.  Completed 10/28/24</p>
8.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200	<p>Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, floor dirty throughout. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Floor was cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/23/24</p>
9.	3-Compartment Sink	105 CMR 451.200	<p>Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, paint damaged on access panel on floor near drying rack. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11. Panel is scheduled to be repainted by staff. Estimated completion 2/15/2025</p>
10.	Spray Room	105 CMR 451.200	<p>Plumbing System; Operation and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, stopper not functioning on wall mounted spigot. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 5-205.15(B). Spigot scheduled for repair by facility plumber. Estimated completion 2/15/2025</p>
11.	Walk-In Refrigerator # 1	105 CMR 451.200	<p>Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, water leaking into refrigerator. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A). Floor had numerous tests conducted to determine the cause of the water. Leak was fixed by facility maintenance. Completed 12/27/2024</p>
12.	Walk-In Refrigerator # 1	105 CMR 451.200	<p>Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, threshold rusted. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A). Threshold scheduled for replacement by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/15/25</p>
13.	Walk-In Refrigerator # 1	105 CMR 451.200	<p>Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, pooling water on floor throughout refrigerator. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Floor was mopped dry by inmate cleaning crew. Contracted vendor had an HVAC company repair the cooling unit. Completed 12/1/24</p>
14.	Walk-In Refrigerator # 1	105 CMR 451.200	<p>Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, ceiling dusty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Ceiling cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24</p>
15.	Freezer # 2	105 CMR 451.200	<p>Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, pooling water/ice on floor creating unsafe conditions. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). ). Floor was mopped dry by inmate cleaning crew. Contracted vendor had an HVAC company repair the cooling unit. Completed 12/1/24</p>



16. Freezer # 2	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, floorboards warped and uneven throughout freezer. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A). <b>Floor scheduled for repair by contracted vendor. Estimated completion 4/1/2025</b>	
17. Freezer # 2	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, floor dirty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). <b>Floor was mopped by inmate cleaning crew. Completed 10/24/24</b>	
18. Walk-In Cooler # 3	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, wall paint damaged. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11. <b>Wall scheduled to be painted by facility staff. Estimated completion 2/15/2025</b>	
19. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, column damaged near oven. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11. <b>wall on column scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/15/2025</b>	
20. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, one oven out-of-order. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A). <b>Contracted vendor had oven repaired and entered back into service by an outside vendor. Completed 10/30/24</b>	
21. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, baseboards dirty throughout preparation area. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). <b>Baseboards were scrubbed and cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/27/24</b>	
22. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Equipment: Quaternary ammonium compound (QAC) solution lower than the manufacturers recommended concentration. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.114(C)(2). <b>Corrected on site and a sanitizing plan was gone over by the vendor with the contracted staff. Completed 10/24/24</b>	
23. Food Preparation and Baking Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Frequency: Nonfood contact surfaces of equipment not cleaned at a frequency necessary to preclude accumulation of soil residues, drying rack dirty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-602.13. <b>Corrected on site and a cleaning plan was gone over by the vendor with the inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24</b>	
24. Pull Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Objective: Food contact surface dirty (Pf), slicer dirty. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-601.11(A). <b>Corrected on site and a cleaning plan was gone over by the vendor with the inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24</b>	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
25. Pull Cage	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Ceiling left unfinished. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11. <b>Ceiling scheduled to be repaired by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/15/2025</b>	

26. Kettle Hood Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, one kettle out-of-order. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A). <b>Contracted vendor had kettle repaired and entered back into service by an outside vendor. Completed 10/30/24</b>	
27. Kettle Hood Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Wall damaged near tilt skillet. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11. <b>wall scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/15/2025</b>	
28. Front Hoods and Tray Preparation Area	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, floor dirty under front preparation tables. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). <b>Floors cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed on 10/24/24</b>	
29. Oven Hood Area	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not in good repair, wall damaged near oven # 3. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.11. <b>Wall scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/15/2025</b>	
30. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200	Protection from Contamination After Receiving; Preventing Contamination from Equipment, Utensils, and Linens: Utensil handle not stored above the food in the container, handles observed in food on serving line. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-304.12(B). Corrected on site. <b>Proper storage and usage of serving items taught to inmate workers by contracted vendor staff. Completed 10/23/24</b>	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
31. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200	Hygienic Practices; Hair Restraints: Food service personnel not wearing appropriate hair restraints, beard guards not worn correctly. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 2-402.11. corrected on site. <b>Proper hygiene protocols were gone over with inmate workers by contracted vendor staff. Completed 10/23/24</b>	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
32. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200*	Limitation of Growth of Organisms of Public Health Concern, Temperature and Time Control: Time/temperature control for safety food not held at 135°F or above (Pf), ground beef temperature recorded at 105°F and sauce recorded at 120°F. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-501.16(A)(1). <b>Contracted vendor placed in daily use two new food warmers to keep holding temperatures above minimum requirements. Contracted vendor also had an outside vendor fix the holding unit in question. Completed 10/24/24</b>	
33. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200*	Design and Construction, Functionality: Hot/cold holding equipment not equipped with a permanently affixed temperature measuring device, thermometer broken. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-204.112(B). <b>Contracted vendor removed holding cart from service and</b>	

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replaced with a new holding cart. Completed 10/24/24

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34. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200*	Numbers and Capacities, Equipment: Insufficient cold holding equipment in number and capacity (Pf), insufficient equipment available to maintain proper hot holding temperatures on serving line. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-301.11. <b>contracted vendor added two new hot holding units to serving line to exceed the minimum serving capacity. Vendor also swapped the cold holding unit out with a larger unit that exceeds the minimum holding capacity. Completed 10/24/24</b>	
35. Serving Line	105 CMR 451.200*	Labeling and Identification, Working Containers: Working container of poisonous/toxic materials missing common name of material (Pf), soap used in sanitizer buckets. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 7-102.11. corrected on site. <b>Container of cleaner was removed from service and replaced with a properly labeled container by vendor staff. Completed 10/24/24</b>	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
36. Inmate Break Room	105 CMR 451.200	Preventing Contamination after Receiving; Preventing Food and Ingredient Contamination: Food not appropriately covered, ice left uncovered. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-302.11(A)(4). <b>Ice was covered and proper protocol was gone over by the contracted vendor staff with the inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24</b>	
37. Inmate Break Room	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Premises not maintained free of insects, flies observed throughout break room. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.111. <b>Contracted vendor went over proper food storage and trash storage, to limit flies, with the inmate population. Non toxic fly traps were placed in break room. Completed 10/24/24</b>	
38. Inmate Break Room	105 CMR 451.200	Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Frequency: Interior of microwave oven not cleaned every 24 hours. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-602.12(B). <b>Microwave oven cleaned by inmate workers. Inmate workers taught by vendor staff the daily cleaning routine of cleaning the breakroom and the microwave. Completed 10/24/24</b>	
39. Chemical Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.200	Plumbing System; Operation and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, backflow preventer leaking. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 5-205.15(B). <b>Backflow preventer scheduled for repair by facility plumber. Estimated completion 2/15/2025</b>	
40. Chemical Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.200*	Plumbing System; Operation and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, no cold water available at slop sink. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 5-205.15(B). <b>Plumber was conducting work on the system at time of inspection. Cold water was restored. Completed on</b>	

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41. Male Staff Bathroom # 1200	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Handwash sink dirty <b>Inmate workers cleaned the sink. Completed 10/23/24</b>	
42. Inmate Bathroom # 1029	105 CMR 451.110(A)	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No paper towels at handwash sink <b>Paper towels were added to the sink area by kitchen staff. Completed 10/23/24</b>	
43. Inmate Bathroom # 1029	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged <b>Floor was painted by inmate work crew. Completed 10/27/24</b>	
44. Back Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed on floor. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). Corrected on site. <b>Corrected on site. Inmate workers were informed by contracted vendor of the importance of daily cleaning of all areas. Completed 10/23/24</b>	<b>Corrected on-site</b>
45. Back Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, floor dirty under storage racks. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.12(A). <b>Inmate work crew cleaned the racks and underneath all of the racks and informed by contracted vendor staff of the importance of daily cleaning of all areas. Completed 10/23/24</b>	
46. Back Cage	105 CMR 451.200	Protection from Contamination After Receiving, Preventing Food and Ingredient Contamination: Food or food ingredients that have been removed from original packages not labeled with common name of food, unlabeled spices. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 3-302.12. <b>Contracted vendor labeled the spice and ensured that all other containers were properly labeled. Completed 10/24/24</b>	

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

4 new deficiencies and 5 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1. Inmate Bathroom # 2002	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall board damaged <b>Wall scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25</b>	
2. I1-Isolation Room # 2005	105 CMR 451.103	<b>Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell. Mattress removed by staff and replaced with a compliant mattress. Completed 10/23/24</b>	
3. R1 # 2009	105 CMR 451.117	Toilet Fixtures: Toilet fixtures dirty in cell <b>Toilet cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/23/24</b>	
4. R5 # 2014	105 CMR 451.104	Beds: Bed not in good repair, 1 bed frame Damaged <b>Bed scheduled for replacement.</b>	

			Estimated completion 1/31/25
5.	R5 Dorm Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Bathroom door rusted Bathroom door was scraped and painted by inmate workers. Completed 10/27/24
6.	R5 Dorm Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall access panel rusted in Bathroom panel was scraped and painted by inmate workers. Completed 10/27/24
7.	Staff Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty Vent cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/23/24
8.	Inmate Shower # 2017	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty vent cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/27/24
9.	Inmate Shower # 2017	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall tile grout dirty wall tiles and grout cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/27/24

**Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)**

16 new deficiencies and 3 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	I1-Isolation Room # 2005	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged tiles scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
2.	I1-Isolation Room # 2005	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall joints Damaged wall scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
3.	I1-Isolation Room # 2005	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space dorm Room Facility has a waiver on file from the DOC regarding this issue.
4.	I2-Isolation Room # 2006	105 CMR 451.322	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in dorm room
5.	I2-Isolation Room # 2006	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged floor tiles scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
6.	I2-Isolation Room # 2006	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Baseboard Damaged baseboard scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
7.	R1 # 2009	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Walls dirty walls were cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24
8.	R1 # 2009	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor Dirty floors were cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24
9.	R2 # 2010	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Walls dirty walls were cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24
10.	R2 # 2010	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor dirty floor was cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24
11.	R2 # 2010	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged wall was painted by inmate workers. Completed 10/27/24
12.	R3 # 2011	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Walls dirty walls were cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24
13.	R3 # 2011	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor dirty floor was cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24
14.	Safe Keep Room # 2007	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tile not secured to ceiling ceiling scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
15.	Janitor's Closet # 2008	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in Bucket Mop was removed from bucket and stored appropriately. Completed 10/23/24
16.	R5 # 2014	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in dorm room

17. R6 # 2015	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in dorm room
18. R6 # 2015	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall board Damaged wall scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 10/28/25
19. Room # 2037	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor dirty floor cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24

## 240 Building (J)

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

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

1. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.102	Pillows and Linens: No pillow in cell # 519 Pillow was issued to inmate by staff. Completed 10/24/24
2. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor rusted in shower # 3 rust was removed by inmate workers. Completed 10/27/24
3. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 8 shower and floor cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24
4. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty outside shower # 2, 3, 7, 8, and 9 all showers and floors were cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
5. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling rusted in shower # 6 and 8 ceiling was cleaned and painted by inmate workers. Completed 10/27/24
6. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Light out in shower # 8 light was replaced by facility electrician. Completed 10/28/24
7. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Drain flies observed in shower # 1 and 4 facility plumber snaked all drains and added non toxic cleaner to drains. Completed 10/28/24
8. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor rusted in shower # 7 rust removed by inmate workers. Completed 10/27/24
9. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 6 and 7 showers cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24
10. A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in shower # 1, 2, 3, and 9 shower walls were cleaned and painted by inmate workers. Completed 10/27/24
11. A Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Debris in floor drain Floor drains snaked by facility plumber. Completed on 10/28/24
12. B Block	Slop Sink Room (downstairs)	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, drain cover missing floor drain installed by facility plumber. Completed 10/28/24
13. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 756 mattress removed and a new mattress issued by staff. Completed 10/24/24
14. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103*	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 714 mattress removed and a new mattress issued by



			staff. Completed 10/24/24
15. C Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Mold on caulking in shower # 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, and 8 all showers cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
16. C Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty in shower # 1 all showers cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
17. C Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling cracked above shower # 4 ceiling scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
18. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 804 mattress removed and a new mattress issued by staff. Completed 10/24/24
19. D Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.130*	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, drain cover missing on slop sink drain cover installed by facility plumber. Completed 10/28/24
20. D Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor damaged throughout shower area floors scheduled for repair by contracted vendor. Estimated completion fall 2025

### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

22 new deficiencies and 22 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1. Entrance	Door	105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Entrance door not rodent and weathertight, door unable to fully close door scheduled for repair by contracted vendor. estimated completion spring 2025
2. A Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall water damaged about cell # 537 and 555 wall cleaned and repainted by inmate workers. Completed 10/28/24
3. A Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles and supports Rusted tiles and supports scheduled for cleaning and painting by facility maintenance. Estimated completion spring 2025
4. A Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall water damaged above cell #531 wall cleaned and painted by inmate workers. Completed 10/28/24
5. A Block	Upper Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor drain uncapped, hole in floor cap scheduled for installation by facility plumber. Estimated completion 2/28/25
6. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 537, 548, 553, 559, and 560 walls were painted by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24
7. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles missing outside cell # 515 tiles scheduled for installation by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
8. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 537 and 557 vent was unblocked. Completed 10/23/24
9. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Top of chair missing in cell # 518 entire desk and chair unit was replaced with a brand new unit by outside vendors. Completed 12/13/24
10. A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 552 wall was repainted by inmate workers.



			Completed 10/28/24
11. B Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Bird observed in block humane bird traps installed by facility staff. Completed 10/28/24
12. B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 617 and 621 wall repainted by inmate workers. Completed 10/28/24
13. B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Desk chair missing in cell # 631, 635, 638, 643, 644, 647, 649, and 653 entire desk and chair unit was replaced with a brand new unit by outside vendors. Completed 12/13/24
14. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 708 and 711 wall was repainted by inmate workers. Completed 10/28/24
15. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 711 vent was unblocked by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24
16. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Desk chair missing in cell # 749 entire desk and chair unit was replaced with a brand new unit by outside vendors. Completed 12/13/24
17. C Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Top of chair missing in cell # 704 entire desk and chair unit was replaced with a brand new unit by outside vendors. Completed 12/13/24
18. D Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.360*	Protective Measures: Bird observed in block humane bird traps installed by facility staff. Completed 10/28/24
19. D Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles water stained tiles scheduled for replacement by facility maintenance. Estimated completed 2/28/25
20. D Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle bottle was removed from service and replaced with an appropriately labeled bottle. Completed 10/23/24
21. D Block	Upper Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor drain uncapped, hole in floor cap scheduled to be installed by facility plumber. Estimated completion 2/28/25
22. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles missing in cell # 817, 826, and 854 tiles scheduled for installation by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
23. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles missing in cell # 822 and 860 tiles scheduled for installation by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
24. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 813 wall was repainted by inmate workers. Completed 10/28/24
25. D Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Top of chair missing in cell # 845 and 848 entire desk and chair unit was replaced with a brand new unit by outside vendors. Completed 12/13/24

## Program Building (K)

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

2 new deficiencies and 1 repeat deficiency (indicated by an \*) was found during the inspection:

1.	Lower Programs	Female Staff Bathroom # 1016	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall tiles behind toilet missing tiles scheduled to be installed by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
2.	Upper Programs	Female Staff Bathroom # 2025	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty vent cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/23/24
3.	Upper Programs	Male Staff Bathroom # 2024	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty vent cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/23/24

### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

3 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1.	Lower Programs	Exterior Hallway Door	105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Exterior door not rodent and weathertight, weather stripping damaged new weather strip scheduled to be installed by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25
2.	Upper Programs	Slop Sink # 1278	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket mop was removed from bucket and stored appropriately. Completed 10/23/24
3.	Upper Programs	Offices	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tile water damaged in Office # 2031 tile replaced by facility maintenance staff. Completed 11/15/24

## Vocational Education Building

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

2 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1.	Laundry		105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, lint trap behind washing machines leaking lint trap was removed and a new industrial trap installed by contracted vendor. Completed 11/22/24
2.	M.A.T. Area Staff Bathroom		105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling water damaged ceiling repaired by facility maintenance. Completed 11/15/24

### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

3 new deficiencies and 3 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	First Floor Storage	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles missing the vocational building is currently undergoing a very large DCAM upgrade. Expected completion Spring 2025
2.	Voke Hallway	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall rotted at end of Hallway the vocational building is currently undergoing a very large DCAM upgrade. Expected completion Spring 2025
3.	Voke Hallway	105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Exterior emergency exit ramp for Upper Voke damaged the vocational building is currently undergoing a very large DCAM upgrade. Expected completion Spring 2025
4.	Voke Hallway	105 CMR 451.350*	Structural Maintenance: Exterior door at end of hallway not rodent and weathertight the vocational building is currently undergoing a very large DCAM upgrade. Expected completion Spring 2025
5.	M.A.P. Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles damaged in far-right office the vocational building is currently undergoing a very large DCAM upgrade. Expected completion Spring 2025
6.	M.A.P. Area Exam Room	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles water stained the vocational building is currently undergoing a very large DCAM upgrade. Expected completion Spring 2025

### 120 Building (F)

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

28 new deficiencies and 1 repeat deficiency (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.102	Pillows and Linens: Insufficient linens available for inmates in cell # 123 new linens issued to inmates in sufficient numbers by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24
2.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.101	Blankets: Blanket not available for inmate in cell #123 new blanket issued to inmate in cell by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24
3.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 125 and 147 mattress removed and a new mattress issued to inmate by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24
4.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.113	Toilet and Handwashing Sink in Locked Cells: No working toilet in cell # 160, toilet out-of-order toilet repaired and put back in order by facility plumber. Completed 10/24/24
5.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # 6 out-of-order shower repaired and put back in order by facility plumber. Completed 10/24/24
6.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.130	Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 85°F at shower # 9 facility plumber adjusted the shower valve temperature to 108 degrees. Completed

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7.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9 showers cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
8.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall paint damaged outside shower # 9 wall painted by inmate workers. Completed 10/28/24
9.	A Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Pooling water on floor outside all Showers shower floor squeegeed and mopped by inmate workers and a wet floor sign placed. Completed 10/24/24
10.	A Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, handicapped shower out-of-order handicap shower repaired by facility plumber and placed back in service. Completed 10/24/24
11.	A Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty floor cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/23/24
12.	A Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Bench dirty bench cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/23/24
13.	B Block	Common Area	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 oven cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/23/24
14.	B Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 4, 5, 6, and 7 showers cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
15.	B Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 9 Floor cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
16.	B Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty outside shower # 1 and 2 floor cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
17.	B Block	Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Light out in shower # 3 and 9 facility electrician replaced the lights. Completed 10/28/24

**Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)**

24 new deficiencies and 2 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	A Block	Common Area	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Bird observed in block humane bird traps installed in unit by facility staff. Completed 10/28/24
2.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 101, 111, 114, 120, 123, 131, 140, 143, and 150 walls repainted by inmate work crew. Completed 11/13/24
3.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 114, 125, 132, 139, 150, and 155 vents were unblocked by staff. Completed 10/23/24
4.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Debris in window in cell # 103 and 133 cleaning scheduled for service by facility maintenance staff. Estimated completion 2/28/25

5.	A Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall water damaged near window in cell # 112 wall was cleaned and repainted by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24
6.	B Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.360	Protective Measures: Flies observed facility plumber snaked all drains and added non toxic cleaner to drains. Completed 10/28/24
7.	B Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle removed from service and an appropriately labeled bottle placed in service. Completed 10/23/24
8.	B Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket mop removed from bucket and stored in appropriate manner. Completed 10/23/24
9.	B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wall damaged around window in cell # 243 wall was cleaned and painted by inmate workers. Completed 10/28/24
10.	B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles missing in cell # 210 floor tiles scheduled for repair by facility maintenance staff. Estimated completion 2/28/25
11.	B Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 231 and 244 vents unblocked by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24

## 60 Building (G)

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

12 new deficiencies and 8 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Cell Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.102	Pillows and Linens: No pillow available for inmate in cell # 330 pillow was issued to inmate by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24
2.	Cell Block	Lower Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on wall in shower # 2 wall was cleaned by unit work crew. Completed 10/24/24
3.	Cell Block	Lower Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Mold on floor outside shower # 1, 3, and 4 floor was cleaned and disinfected by inmate work crew. Completed 10/23/24
4.	Cell Block	Lower Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged outside all Showers Floors were cleaned and painted by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24
5.	Cell Block	Lower Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty outside shower # 4 walls cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
6.	Cell Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged Floor was cleaned and painted by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24
7.	Cell Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor dirty Floor was cleaned and painted by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24
8.	Cell Block	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.130*	Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 90°F facility plumber adjusted the shower temperature valve to 108 degrees. Completed 10/24/24
9.	Cell Block	Slop Sink Room	105 CMR 451.130*	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, drain cover missing drain cover installed by facility plumber. Completed 10/24/24

10. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty outside shower # 5, 8, and 9 floors were cleaned by an inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
11. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on floor in shower # 7 floor was cleaned by an inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
12. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 7 and 8 walls were cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24
13. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged in shower # 8 and 9 floor was cleaned and painted by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24
14. Cell Block	Upper Shower Area	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Wall dirty outside shower # 9 wall cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24

### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

9 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1. Cell Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # 305, 310, 315, 331, 335, 336, and 353 vents unblocked by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24
2. Cell Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged in cell # 349 ceiling was repainted by inmate worker. Completed 10/28/24
3. Cell Block	Cells	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Wall damaged under window in cell # 319 wall was cleaned and painted by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24

## 80 Building (H)

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

28 new deficiencies and 6 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1. Lower 80 – First Floor	Common Area	105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior lid of ice machine dirty lid was cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/23/24
2. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7 shower floors were cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24
3. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Curtain missing in shower # 1 curtain was installed by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24
4. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Walls dirty in shower # 1 and 2 walls were cleaned by inmate workers. Completed 10/24/24
5. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 3 and 5 walls were cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24
6. Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Mold on ceiling outside shower # 7 ceiling was cleaned and disinfected by inmate workers. Completed 10/28/24

7.	Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling vents dusty throughout bathroom <b>ceiling vents were cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/23/24</b>
8.	Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 1 <b>floor was cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/23/24</b>
9.	Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Walls dirty in shower # 7 <b>wall was cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24</b>
10.	Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.126*	Hot Water for Bathing and Hygiene: Hot water temperature 85 °F at handwash sink # R1 <b>Facility plumber adjusted temperature valve to 115 degrees. Completed 10/24/24</b>
11.	Lower 80 – First Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged above showers <b>ceiling was repainted by inmate work crew. Completed 10/28/24</b>
12.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Common Area	105 CMR 451.200	Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, interior lid of ice machine dirty <b>lid was cleaned by inmate worker. Completed 10/24/24</b>
13.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 3 <b>walls were cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24</b>
14.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 <b>floors were cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/27/24</b>
15.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Curtain missing at shower # 1 <b>new curtain installed by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24</b>
16.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on curtain at shower # 4 and 5 <b>curtains removed and replaced with new curtains by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24</b>
17.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall damaged in toilet stall # 1, 2, and 3 <b>wall scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Expected completion 2/28/24</b>
18.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Handwash sink # R1 dirty <b>sink cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/23/24</b>
19.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 5 <b>walls cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/24/24</b>
20.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged above toilet stalls <b>ceiling repainted by inmate workers. Completed 10/28/24</b>
21.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.103	Mattresses: Mattress damaged in Dorm Room # 419 <b>mattress removed from service and replaced with new mattress. Completed 10/23/24</b>

### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

2 new deficiencies and 6 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:



1.	Lower 80 – First Floor	Common Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged near ice machine <b>tiles scheduled to be repaired by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25</b>
2.	Lower 80 – First Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Baseboard missing in Dorm Room # 406 <b>baseboard scheduled to be installed by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25</b>
3.	Lower 80 – First Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all dorm rooms
4.	Lower 80 – First Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Uncovered junction box in Dorm Room # 406 <b>wall plate cover installed by facility electrician. Completed 10/28/24</b>
5.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Control	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling grille missing <b>Grille scheduled to be installed by facility maintenance staff. Estimated completion 2/28/25</b>
6.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.340*	Illumination: Insufficient lighting, light out in Dorm Room # 420 <b>Light scheduled to be repaired by facility electrician or DCAM contracted vendor. Estimated completion 2/28/25</b>
7.	Upper 80 – Second Floor	Slop Sink Room (near bathroom)	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle <b>bottle removed from service and an appropriately labeled bottle placed in service. Completed 10/23/24</b>
8.	Upper 80 – First Floor	Dorm Rooms	105 CMR 451.322*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all dorm rooms

## Gym Building (I)

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

2 new deficiencies and 2 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.110(A)	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No paper towels at handwash sink <b>paper towels added to sink area by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24</b>
2.	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Paper towel dispenser Missing <b>Towel dispenser scheduled to be installed by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25</b>
3.	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.110(A)*	Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No toilet paper in stall #1 <b>toilet paper placed in stall by unit staff. Completed 10/23/24</b>
4.	Storage Room/Officer's Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor paint damaged <b>floor cleaned and painted by inmate work crew. Completed 11/15/24</b>



### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

2 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Entrance	105 CMR 451.350*	Structural Maintenance: Exterior siding damaged near Entrance siding scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion June 2025
2.	Weight Area	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Hole in wall under phones wall scheduled for repair by facility maintenance. Estimated completion 2/28/25

### Intake Building

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

3 new deficiencies were found during the inspection:

1.	Intake Area	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, toilet leaking Leak fixed by facility plumber. Completed 10/24/24
2.	Intake Area	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Pooling water on floor water mopped up by inmate workers and a wet floor sign placed. Completed 10/23/24
3.	Intake Area	Handicapped Shower	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty around drain floor cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/23/24

#### Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)

1 new deficiency and 1 repeat deficiency (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Intake Area	Handicapped Bathroom	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Eye wash station dirty outside Handicapped Bathroom eye wash station cleaned by inmate work crew. Completed 10/23/24
2.	Intake Area	Custodial Closet	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in Bucket mop removed from bucket and stored in the appropriate manner. Completed 10/23/24

### SECTION 2: Areas Found to be in Compliance

EHRIS inspected 181 additional areas of the facility which were found to be in compliance.

### Section 3: Areas EHRIS did not inspect

EHRIS did not inspect 36 areas of the facility because they were either in use, locked, or under repair.

1.	First Floor	Administration Hallway	Storage Room # 1007	Unable to Inspect – Locked
2.	First Floor	Administration Hallway	Small Conference Room # 1015	Unable to Inspect – In Use
3.	Records/I.T./Visits Area	Visitor Area	Office # 1001A	Unable to Inspect – Locked
4.	Records/I.T./Visits Area	Roll Call Room	Muster Room	Unable to Inspect – Locked

5.	Records/I.T./Visits Area	Records Hallway	Nursing Mother's Room # 1009	Unable to Inspect – Locked
6.	Records/I.T./Visits Area	Records Hallway	Property Room # 1013	Unable to Inspect – Locked
7.	Holding Unit Hallway # 1017	Lawyer Interview Rooms # 1032		Unable to Inspect – In Use
8.	Health Services Unit (H.S.U.)	Medication Administration	Storage Room # 2038	Unable to Inspect – Locked
9.	Health Services Unit (H.S.U.)	Storage # 2016		Unable to Inspect – Locked
10.	Health Services Unit (H.S.U.)	R6 Dorm Bathroom		Unable to Inspect – In Use
11.	240 BUILDING (J)	B Block	Counselor's Office (upstairs)	Unable to Inspect – Not Used
12.	240 BUILDING (J)	B Block	Shower Area	Unable to Inspect – In Use
13.	240 BUILDING (J)	C & D Control	Control Bathroom	Unable to Inspect – In Use
14.	PROGRAM BUILDING (K)	Lower Programs	Clergy # 1006	Unable to Inspect – Locked
15.	PROGRAM BUILDING (K)	Upper Programs	Bathroom # 1277	Unable to Inspect – Locked
16.	PROGRAM BUILDING (K)	Upper Programs	Conference Room # 2036	Unable to Inspect – In Use
17.	Vocational Education Building	First Floor	New Bathroom (outside Laundry)	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
18.	Vocational Education Building	Voke 1 (Unoccupied)		Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
19.	Vocational Education Building	Voke 2 (Unoccupied)		Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
20.	Vocational Education Building	Voke 3 (Unoccupied)		Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
21.	Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Inmate Bathroom	Unable to Inspect – Locked
22.	Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Warehouse # 0911	Unable to Inspect – Locked
23.	Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Barber Shop	Unable to Inspect – Locked
24.	Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Storage Room	Unable to Inspect – Locked
25.	Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Maintenance Office # 0919	Unable to Inspect – Locked
26.	Vocational Education Building	Voke Hallway	Storage Closet (outside Voke 3)	Unable to Inspect – Locked
27.	Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Office # 2002	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
28.	Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Classroom # 2011	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
29.	Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	M.A.P. Offices	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
30.	Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	M.A.P. Area Cabinet	Unable to Inspect – Locked

31. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Counselor's Office # 2003	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
32. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Laundry Room # 2004	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
33. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Staff Bathroom # 2005	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
34. Vocational Education Building	Second Floor	Slop Sink Room # 2006	Unable to Inspect – Under Repair
35. 120 Building (F)	A Block	Meeting Room	Unable to Inspect – Locked
36. Gym Building (I)	Shower Room		Unable to Inspect – Not Used

#### **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. 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 820 at the time of inspection.
2. At the time of the inspection EHRs recommended:
  - a. Installing a privacy partition in the safe keep room of Holding Unit # 1022; **a partition is scheduled to be installed by facility maintenance. Estimated completion summer 2025**
  - b. Numbering all showers throughout the institution to assist EHRs and facility employees to better recognize where issues exist; **the numbering of all showers facility wide has been initiated. Estimated completion 2/28/25**
  - c. Numbering the offices, bathroom, and exam room throughout the M.A.P. area. **The entire vocation building is undergoing a very large DCAM upgrade. Upon completion of the renovation, all of the doors to all areas will be renumbered by DCAM and or the facility. Estimated completion spring 2025**

3. The Vocational Education Building continues to be under construction and is not housing inmates. EHR observed the conditions listed below, and if left uncorrected, may lead to health and safety concerns when brought back on-line to house inmates: **The entire vocation building is undergoing a very large DCAM upgrade. Upon completion of the renovation, it is expected that all of the below issues will be remedied by DCAM or the Department. Estimated completion spring 2025**
  - a. Cement board water damaged behind remaining wall tiles in the showers of the VOKE 1 Bathroom;
  - b. Back exterior wall rotted near the emergency exit in VOKE 2;
  - c. Wall rotted near the emergency exit on the first floor VOKE Hallway;
  - d. Exterior door not rodent and weathertight at the end of the first floor VOKE hallway;
  - e. Exterior emergency exit ramp for Upper Voke damaged;
  - f. Extension cord running through a window in the Warehouse # 0911; and
  - g. Roof leaking.
4. During the Kitchen Inspection:
  - a. EHR observed either detergent or water with no sanitizing solution within all sanitizing buckets and the 3-compartment sink while the kitchen was actively in use. It was determined that soap was continuing to be incorrectly placed in sanitizing buckets and the sanitizing dispenser was not dispensing any sanitizing solution. Sanitizing solution was manually made, however, EHR strongly recommended:
    - i. Additional kitchen staff be trained on how to properly mix the sanitizing solution; **the contracted vendor had the dispensing machine fixed by an outside vendor. All contracted vendor staff were instructed on the proper way to mix and to measure the sanitizer. They also are conducting daily checks of the solutions via strips to ensure proper levels.**
    - ii. Kitchen staff develop a sanitizing distribution procedure to ensure sanitizing solutions of the proper concentration are distributed within the sanitizing buckets throughout the kitchen; and **The contracted vendor now mixes and checks all sanitizing buckets prior to dispersal to the inmate workers.**
    - iii. Kitchen staff develop a procedure to test the sanitizing solution when made as well as throughout each shift to ensure the proper concentrations are maintained. **The contracted vendor has put in place testing procedures for the initial mix and for spot checks via strips throughout the day.**
  - b. EHR observed clean and dirty kitchen uniforms strewn about the inmate Changing Room # 1027. EHR recommended that a new uniform distribution policy be developed to more clearly separate clean and dirty uniforms. **Kitchen staff have developed and implemented a distribution plan that clearly identifies and separates clean, new uniforms from soiled uniforms.**

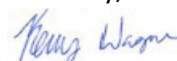
To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at [www.mass.gov/dph/dcs](http://www.mass.gov/dph/dcs) and click on "Correctional Facilities" [105 CMR 451.000](#), it is available in both PDF and RTF formats. For more specific information about the food standards, you can download 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:

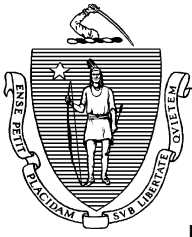
- [105 CMR 205.000](#): Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities
- [105 CMR 480.000](#): Minimum requirements for the Management of Medical or Biological Waste
- [105 CMR 500.000](#): Good Manufacturing Practices for Food

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

Sincerely,



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February 19, 2025

Kevin F. Coppinger, Sheriff  
Essex County Sheriff's Department Headquarters  
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Re: Plan of Correction – Essex County Correctional Facility, Middleton

Dear Sheriff Coppinger:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) has received your Plan of Correction in response to my inspection on October 22 and 23, 2024. After review, the EHRS finds the plan addresses all the deficiencies noted in the report with the following exception:

In regards to the issue of overcrowding, the EHRS appreciates the limitations of correctional facilities and the need to accommodate the ever-increasing population; however we remain concerned with the overcrowded conditions.

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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cc: Aaron Eastman, Superintendent (electronic copy)  
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