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#### SUMMARY OF CHANGES:

Section	Change
	"No Contact" has been added as an additional definition to
	Separations throughout the policy.
§13. e.	New language was added:
	"All requests for the removal of separation (no contact) orders relating to PREA must be reviewed, approved, or disapproved by the PREA Coordinator and forwarded to the Warden for final approval."

#### **APPROVED:**

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Thomas Faust, Director

<u>12/1/2023</u> Date Signed

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- 1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE. To establish procedures for separating inmates from one another (i.e., enforcing no contact between inmates) when required for safety, security and order of the D.C. Department of Corrections ("DOC") facilities. Inmates who have separation (no contact) orders require clearance before internal housing changes, transfers, temporary releases (court appearances, writs, etc.) or participation in community activities to safeguard against potential contact with inmates from whom they are separated (i.e., with whom they are to have no contact).
- 2. **PROGRAM OBJECTIVE.** The expected results of this program are that:
  - a. Inmates shall be separated at all times from all documented Separatees.
  - b. Information regarding separations shall be maintained and utilized securely.

#### 3. NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

a. In accordance with the D.C. Human Rights Act or 1977, as amended, D.C. Official Code § 2-1401.01 et seq., (hereinafter, "the Act"), the District of Columbia does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, genetic information, disability, source of income, status as a victim of an intrafamily offense, or place or residence or business. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination that is also prohibited by the Act. Discrimination in violation of the Act will not be tolerated. Violators will be subject to disciplinary action.

### 4. DIRECTIVES AFFECTED

#### a. **DIRECTIVES RESCINED**

PP 4353.3D Separation Cases (10/15/2019)

#### b. DIRECTIVES REFERENCED

PP 3350.2 Elimination of Sexual Abuse, Sexual Assault, and Sexual Misconduct

#### 5. STANDARDS REFERENCED. None.

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### 6. AUTHORITY

- a. D.C. Code § 24-211.2 Powers; Promulgation of Rules.
- b. Farmer v. Brennan, 511 U.S. 826 (1994)

# 7. DEFINITIONS

- a. **Separation (No Contact) Cases.** For the purpose of this directive, separation (no contact) cases are defined as inmates who may not come in contact with other specified inmates who are housed in any DOC institution or who may come into DOC custody in the future to include contact in transport, housing, programming, recreation, eating, visiting, shower, medical care, work detail or any other area. Inmates identified as separation (no contact) cases may be housed on the same restrictive housing unit but on separate tiers.
- b. **No Contacts.** The term used in the Jail Management System (slated to replace the Jail and Community Corrections System (JACCS) in 2024) to denote Separations.
- c. **Separatee.** Any inmate from whom another inmate is separated.
- d. **Separation (No Contact) Order.** A separation (no contact) order is a procedure that requires the separation of inmates when their safety or the security and orderly operation of the DOC facility is at risk.
- 8. SEPARATION (NO CONTACT) FACTORS. The factors to consider in identifying an individual as a *separation (no contact) case* include, but are not limited to:
  - a. Testimony provided by or about an individual in open court, to a grand jury, or other tribunal;
  - b. Inmates who have provided law enforcement or investigative authorities with information concerning the unauthorized or illegal activities of others;
  - c. Whether there has been aggressive behavior towards or from other specific individuals, either in the community or within the institution;
  - d. Inmates for whom there is no identifiable threat, but who are to be separated from others at the request of the courts, prosecutors, corrections or other law enforcement officials;

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- e. Inmates who have known rival associations, affiliations or crews/ gang involvement; and
- f. Intelligence or information received that warrants the individuals' separation (resulting in no contacts) for the safety, security or order of the facility.

# 9. ORIGIN OF A SEPARATION (NO CONTACT) ORDER

- a. A Separation (No Contact) Order may be initiated by the following:
  - 1) Intake Screening
  - 2) Self-Admission /Interview
  - 3) Institutional incidents
  - 4) PREA Complaint
  - 5) Court Order
  - 6) Court Alert
  - 7) United States Attorney Request
  - 8) MPD Report
  - 9) OIS Request
  - 10) USMS, FBOP
  - 11) Adjustment Board
  - 12) Housing Board
- b. Process for the different types of Separation (No Contact) Order requests.
  - 1) **Intake Screening.** During the admission process of inmates into the institution, Intake Support Assistant or the Case Manager or designee responsible for intake screening shall:
    - a) Review all documents pertaining to the incoming inmate. If documentation reveals a need for a separation (no contact), or if the

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Intake Support Assistant or case manager or designee learns of a need to separate an inmate the Intake Support Assistant or case manager or designee shall complete a Separation (No Contact) Order Request Memorandum (Attachment 1) and forward the request through the chain-of-command to the Warden or designee for approval and issuance of the Separation (No Contact) Order.

- b) The Intake Support Assistant or Case Manager or designee will enter the separation into the Jail Management System (JMS).
- c) Once the Warden approves the separation memorandum a copy shall be forwarded to the Inmate Records Office (IRO).
- d) The IRO staff will confirm that the separation memorandum has been entered into the Jail Management System (JMS) and shall be scanned into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
- 2) **Self-Admission/Interview.** A staff who becomes aware of a need for a separation based on self-admission by the inmate or when disclosed in documentation shall:
  - a) Immediately take steps to separate the inmates i.e., ensure no contacts.
  - b) Interview the inmate.
  - c) The staff shall complete a Separation (No Contact) Order Request Memorandum (Attachment 1) and forward to the Warden or designee for approval and issuance of the Separation (No Contact) Order.
  - d) If the staff is an Intake Support Assistant or Case Manager, he or she will enter the separation (no contact) into the Jail Management System (JMS).
  - e) If the staff is an Officer he or she needs to notify his or her immediate Supervisor or Shift Captain. The immediate Supervisor or Shift Captain shall enter the information into the Jail Management System (JMS) immediately.

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- f) Once the Warden approves the separation (no contact) order a copy shall be forwarded to the IRO.
- g) The IRO Office staff will confirm that the separation (no contact) memorandum has been entered it into the Jail Management System (JMS) and scanned into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
- 3) Institutional Incidents Such as a Fight or an Assault or a Threat: A staff member who witnesses or becomes aware of an incident involving inmates that requires a separation (no contact) shall:
  - a) Immediately take steps to separate the inmates (i.e., enforce no contact).
  - b) The staff shall complete a Separation (No Contact) Order Request Memorandum (Attachment 1) and forward the request through the chain-of-command to the Warden or designee for approval of the separation (no contact).
  - c) A copy of the separation (no contact) memorandum is forwarded to the Compliance Office/Count Book.
  - d) The Compliance Office/Count Book Officer or the Adjustment Board Chairperson will enter the separation (no contact) into the Jail Management System (JMS) and forward a copy to the IRO.
  - e) The IRO staff will confirm that the separation (no contact) memorandum has been entered into the Jail Management System (JMS) and scanned into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
- 4) **PREA complaint.** A staff who learns that inmates need to be separated (no contact needs to be enforced) due to the prevention, detection, or response of a PREA related allegation shall:
  - a) Immediately take steps to separate the inmates (i.e., enforce no contact).
  - b) At the time the incident occurs, the Supervisor shall immediately issue separation (no contact) orders between inmate complainants

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and respondents of a sexual assault, sexual abuse, or sexual misconduct.

- c) The PREA Coordinator or designee shall ensure separation (no contact) orders are in place.
- 5) **Court Order/Court Alert.** A court order/alert comes in when the inmate is transported to the Inmate Reception Center (IRC) or through email/fax to the IRO. Once a court order is received:
  - a) The IRO will forward the court order to the Compliance Office/Count Book Officer.
  - b) The IRO staff will scan the court order into the Document Management System (DMS).
  - c) The Compliance Office/Count Book Officer will enter the separation (no contact) into the Jail Management System (JMS).
- 6) U.S. Attorney's Request. A U.S. Attorney's request comes in through email/fax or phone call to case management prior to the inmate's arrival or after arrival. Case Management will complete and scan the Separation (No Contact) Order/U.S. Attorney/U.S. Marshall Service (Attachment 2) into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) and enter the information into the Jail Management System (JMS).
- 7) **Office of Investigative Services Request (OIS).** An OIS request is generated through a request from Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) or US Attorney's office via email (Intel Alert).
  - a) OIS will forward the information to the Warden or designee.
  - b) The Warden or designee confirms that the separation alert (no contact information) is entered into the Jail Management System (JMS).
- 8) United States Marshals Service (USMS), Federal Bureau of Prisons (FBOP). A separation (no contact) request from the USMS or FBOP is received through email, fax to the IRO prior to the inmate's arrival or after arrival.

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- a) The IRO staff will forward the separation (no contact) request to the Compliance Office.
- b) The IRO staff will scan the separation (no contact) into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
- c) The Compliance Officer will enter the separation (no contact) into the Jail Management System (JMS).
- 9) Adjustment Board. When a board member becomes aware of a separation (no contact) need between inmates the Adjustment Board Chairperson shall be notified and the Chairperson or designee will enter the information into the Jail Management System (JMS):
  - a) The Chairperson or designee shall complete a Separation (No Contact) Order Request Memorandum (Attachment 1) and forward the request through the chain-of-command to the Warden or designee for approval.
  - b) The Adjustment Board Chairperson or designee will scan the memorandum into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
- 10) **Housing Board** If the Housing Board becomes aware of a separation need (i.e., need for no contact), the Housing Board Chairperson shall:
  - a) Enter the separation (no contact) request into the Jail Management System (JMS).
  - b) Complete the Separation (No Contact) Order Request Memorandum (Attachment 1) and forward it to the Warden or designee for approval.
  - c) Scan the approved separation (no contact) into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).

### 11) Cooperating Witnesses Separatee

a) The Supervisory Correctional Treatment Specialist or designee shall be responsible for entering the separation (no contact) into the Jail Management System (JMS).

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- b) The Supervisory Correctional Treatment Specialist or designee shall complete, maintain, and scan the Separation (No Contact) Order/U.S. Attorney/U.S. Marshall Service (Attachment 2) into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
- **10. CONFIDENTIALITY OF SEPARATION (NO CONTACT) ORDER.** Separation (no contact) orders must be kept confidential at all times.
  - a. It is essential to the safety, security, and order of DOC facilities that DOC does not confirm or deny the existence or non-existence of a separation (no contact) order (outside of law enforcement). Information regarding a separation (no contact) order shall not be released to callers, attorneys, family members, friends, other inmates or other outside requestors.
  - Separation (no contact) orders are not produced in subpoenas or discovery or FOIA requests without appropriate General Counsel review and legal protections.

### 11. SEPARATION (NO CONTACT) ORDER LIFT

- a. All requests for the removal of a separation (no contact) order resulting from incidents at DOC shall be forwarded through the chain of command to the Warden for final approval.
- b. The request must include the rationale for the separation (no contact) lift and any appropriate supporting documentation, such as signed Non-Animosity Request Memorandum (Attachment 3). This documentation shall be immediately forwarded to the IRO to be placed in the affected inmate's institutional record and/or scanned into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
- c. All requests for the removal of a separation (no contact) order from the U.S. Attorney's Office and/or U.S. Marshal Services comes in through email/fax or phone call to Case Management Services. Case Management Services will complete and scan the Separation (No Contact) Order Lift/U.S. Attorney/U.S. Marshall Service (Attachment 4) into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS). and remove the separation (no contact) from the Jail Management System (JMS).

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- d. All requests for the removal of a separation (no contact) order from the Courts, the Office of Attorney General (OAG), etc., shall be forwarded to the IRO.
- e. All requests for the removal of separation (no contact) orders relating to PREA must be reviewed, approved, or disapproved by the PREA Coordinator and forwarded to the Warden for final approval.
- **12.** AUTHORITY TO APPROVE AND LIFT SEPARATIONS (NO CONTACTS). The authority to approve and lift Separation Orders is delegated as follows:
  - a. The Warden shall have approving authority for inmates incarcerated at DOC facilities that require separations (no contacts).

The Community Corrections Administrator of halfway houses shall approve separations (no contacts) for inmates confined to the halfway houses.

- b. The Judge shall approve court order separation (no contact) lifts. The U.S. Attorney's Office shall approve separation (no contact) lifts placed on inmates by the U.S. Attorney's Office.
- c. The U.S. Marshall Service shall approve separation (no contact) lifts placed on Inmates by the U.S. Marshall Service.

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#### GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Facility Washington, DC 20003

# <u>Separation (No Contact) Order Request Memorandum</u> (Security Sensitive Document):

To:			
	Warden or designee		
Throug	1:		
From:			
Date:			
Subject	: Separation Orders		
Re:	Inmate's name:		
	DCDC Number:		
	Housing:		
The abo	ove-named inmate is to be se	eparated from:	
	Inmate Name	DCDC Number	Housing

*Effective the date shown above*, the above-referenced inmates are to be separated from each other at all times. This separation includes housing, feeding, recreation, visiting, transportation, showering, medical attention and in any other area where they may come into contact with one another. This order will remain in effect at all times, until rescinded by the institutional Warden or designee.

CC: Each inmate's file Count Book



#### GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS Office of Case Management Services 1901 E Street, SE Washington, DC 20003

DATE:\_\_\_\_

# Separation (No Contact) Order/U.S. Attorney/U.S. Marshall Service

The following inmate is to be kept separated, at all times, from the inmate(s) indicated below:

NAME & DCDC#:	
To be separated from:	
NAME & DCDC#:	

This separation is ordered by or has been requested by the United States Attorney's Office, United States Marshall Service:

This order is not to be lifted unless approved by the Office of Case Management Services.



Date:\_\_\_\_\_

# **Non-Animosity Request Memorandum**

TO:	Institutional Record
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THROUGH: \_\_\_\_\_, Warden or Designee

SUBJECT: No Animosity Separation (No Contact)

I	DCDC	hereby attest that I
have no animosity or	r intent of causing harm to	
Inmate	DCDC	

I have been advised that if this request is approved, both of us can be placed in the same housing area. I attest that I have not been coerced into signing this request. I hereby request that (check the appropriate box below):

[] No separation be imposed [] The separation order be lifted

Comments:

Witnessed by:\_\_\_\_\_ Requested by:\_\_\_\_\_ Signature:\_\_\_\_\_ DCDC\_\_\_\_\_ Title:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Housing Unit:\_\_\_\_\_



Office of Case Management Services

# SEPARATION NO CONTACT ORDER LIFT/U.S. Attorney/U.S. Marshall Service

At the request of the

United States Attorney	s Office for the District of Columbia
U.S. Marshals Service	

The following inmates were previously ordered to be separated from each other at all times. This order is now rescinded.

Inmate Name \_\_\_\_\_

# KEEP SEPARATED (NO CONTACT) FROM

Inmate Name \_\_\_\_\_

This order is now LIFTED; however, any other Separation (No Contact) Orders for each of the inmates listed will remain in effect.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Date