

Prisons (Police Lock-ups) Regulations 2013

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**PRISONS ACT
(CHAPTER 247)**

**PRISONS
(POLICE LOCK-UPS) REGULATIONS 2013**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4(3) of the Prisons Act, the Minister for Home Affairs hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Prisons (Police Lock-ups) Regulations 2013 and shall come into operation on 11th November 2013.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“authorised officer” means —

- (a) a police officer assigned by or on behalf of the officer in-charge of a police lock-up to perform, at the police lock-up, the duties specified in regulation 6; or
- (b) an auxiliary police officer employed under section 50B of the Act as an escort or a guard to ensure the safe custody of any person who is under his custody while the person is transported to, or from, any police lock-up or while the person is at any place outside a police lock-up;

- “auxiliary police officer” has the same meaning as in section 50B(5) of the Act;
- “Commissioner of Police” means the Commissioner of Police appointed under section 6(1) of the Police Force Act (Cap. 235);
- “lock-up” means such place that is appointed under section 4(1) of the Act to be a place for the confinement of persons awaiting trial, remanded, or sentenced to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month;
- “lock-up officer” means the police officer appointed under regulation 4(4) for a police lock-up;
- “lock-up prisoner”, in relation to a police lock-up, means a person, whether convicted or not, who is confined in the police lock-up, or who is transported to, or from, the police lock-up;
- “officer-in-charge” means the officer-in-charge of a police lock-up under regulation 4(2);
- “police lock-up” means a lock-up to which, or in relation to which, these Regulations apply.

Application

3. These Regulations apply to, and in relation to, any lock-up in —

- (a) Airport Police Division at 35 Airport Boulevard, Singapore 819645;
- (b) Ang Mo Kio Division Headquarters at 51 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 9, Singapore 569784;
- (c) Bedok Division Headquarters at 30 Bedok North Road, Singapore 469676;
- (d) Central Division Headquarters at 391 New Bridge Road, Singapore 088762;
- (e) Clementi Division Headquarters at 20 Clementi Avenue 5, Singapore 129858;
- (f) Geylang Neighbourhood Police Centre at 132 Paya Lebar Road, Singapore 409014;
- (g) Jurong Division Headquarters at 2 Jurong West Avenue 5, Singapore 649482;
- (h) Tanglin Division Headquarters at 21 Kampong Java Road, Singapore 228892;
- (i) Traffic Police Headquarters at 10 Ubi Avenue 3, Singapore 408865;

- (j) Woodlands Division Headquarters at 1 Woodlands Street 12, Singapore 738622;
- (k) Family Justice Courts at 3 Havelock Square, Singapore 059725; and
- (l) Syariah Court at Family Link @ Lengkok Bahru, 8 Lengkok Bahru, Singapore 159052.

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General charge and administration of police lock-ups

4.—(1) The general charge and administration of any police lock-up, and the control of any officer-in-charge of a police lock-up, shall be vested in the Commissioner of Police, being duly authorised under section 50A of the Act.

(2) The officer-in-charge of a police lock-up is —

- (a) for the police lock-ups specified in regulation 3(b), (g) and (j) — the Commander of the Woodlands Division; and
- (b) for all other police lock-ups — the Commander of the Police Division where the police lock-up is located.

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(3) The officer-in-charge of a police lock-up shall ensure that all laws, regulations and orders relating to the police lock-up, lock-up prisoners, authorised officers and other staff are strictly adhered to and all records are properly maintained.

(4) The officer-in-charge of a police lock-up shall appoint a police officer not below the rank of Sergeant as a lock-up officer for that police lock-up to assist him in the day-to-day management and administration of the police lock-up.

Condition of cells in police lock-ups

5. The officer-in-charge of a police lock-up shall —

- (a) ensure that the police lock-up is clean;
- (b) ensure that sanitary arrangements in the police lock-up are in a satisfactory condition;
- (c) cause the state of the cells in the police lock-up and their security features to be examined frequently;
- (d) cause any unauthorised or dangerous article found in a police lock-up to be seized; and
- (e) cause a report to be made of every seizure of any unauthorised or dangerous article.