Personnel employed or appointed as jailers of county jails or personnel appointed, employed, or assigned to directly supervise jailers shall be licensed as per the requirements of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement under the provisions of Part 7 of this title. Personnel employed or appointed as jailers or personnel appointed, employed, or assigned to directly supervise jailers at facilities operated under vendor contract with a county or city shall be licensed as per the requirements of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement under the provisions of Part 7 of this title.

A review of TCOLE licensing for jailers indicated that four jailers have not met TCOLE requirements regarding their jailers licenses.

Inmates shall be supervised by an adequate number of jailers to comply with state law and this chapter. One jailer shall be provided on each floor of the facility where 10 or more inmates are housed, with no less than 1 jailer per 48 inmates or increment thereof on each floor for direct inmate supervision.

A review of staff rosters and daily county sheets indicated that the jail was not staffed to meet the 1:48 jailer to inmate ratio on the floor and in control #2 as required. There is a fire panel located in control #2 which requires it to be staffed at all times.

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