

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS
SPECIAL INSPECTION REPORT**

Facility Name: Clay County Jail

Date:

October 9, 2019

Item	Section	Paragraph	Comments
1	275	.1	Every facility shall have the appropriate number of jailers at the facility 24 hours each day. Facilities shall have an established procedure for documented, face-to-face observation of all inmates by jailers no less than once every 60 minutes. Observation shall be performed at least every 30 minutes in areas where inmates known to be assaultive, potentially suicidal, mentally ill, or who have demonstrated bizarre behavior are confined. There shall be a two-way voice communication capability between inmates and jailers, licensed peace officers, bailiffs, and designated staff at all times. Closed circuit television may be used, but not in lieu of the required personal observation.

After reviewing video and documentation in conjunction with self-reporting of facility administration, it was determined that the face-to-face observation, prior to the inmate being discovered, did not occur due to the inmate obstructing the view of the jailer by placing coverings around his bunk. Additionally, while the jailer documented that rounds were conducted within the required time period, one round was 14 minutes late, another round was 8 minutes late, and eight rounds documented as conducted did not occur at all.



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