City of New York Board of Correction

Monthly Review: Visit Restrictions October 2017

Visit Summary

	October 2017
Total Number of Visitors	21,569
Total Number of Visits	15,750
Visits Per Inmate Per Month	1.72
Visit Days	21

I. Restrictions on Inmates

a. Inmates with Non-Contact Restrictions

	April	September	October
	2017 ¹	2017	2017
Number of People on non-contact list	261	275	284
Number of people with duration restrictions (% of all people with restrictions)	179 (69%)	193 (70%)	195 (69%)
Average length of restriction among non-duration restrictions (days)	194	191	196
Average length of restriction served among duration restrictions (days)	182	187	193
Median length of restriction served among duration restrictions (days)	131	111	122
Number of restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit nexus (% of all non-contact restrictions)	104 (40%)	109 (40%)	118 (42%)
Number of duration restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit nexus (% of all non-contact duration restrictions)	27 (15%)	30 (16%)	31 (16%)

¹ The Department of Correction maintains a list of all people in jail who are restricted to non-contact, or "booth", visits (the "non-contact list"). This report section presents analyses of this list on April 23, 2017 (six months back), September 23, 2017 (one month back), and October 23, 2017.

b. Reasons for Non-Contact Restrictions²

	Number of	Restrictions (%	of Non-
	Con	tact Restriction	s)
		September	October
	April 2017	2017	2017
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing)	113 (43%)	98 (36%)	103 (36%)
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	67 (26%)	95 (35%)	92 (32%)
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	65 (25%)	69 (25%)	76 (27%)
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other	16 (6%)	13 (5%)	13 (5%)
types of contraband)			

c. Reasons for Non-Contact Duration Restrictions

	Number of Restrictions (% of Non- Contact Restrictions)		
		September	October
	April 2017	2017	2017
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing)	113 (63%)	98 (51%)	103 (53%)
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	66 (37%)	95 (49%)	92 (47%)

d. Six-Month Reviews of Non-Contact Restrictions Having a Duration Over 6 Months³

	April 2017	September 2017	October 2017
Number of people with non-contact restrictions who have served six months or more on the non-contact list ("review eligible people")	73	69	74
Number of review eligible people who received an appeal in the previous six months (% of review eligible people)	62 (85 %)	63 (91 %)	69 (93 %)
Number of six-month reviews received by the Board	12	18	28
Number of six-month reviews which resulted in amended restriction	1	0	1
Average length of restriction served among review eligible people (days)	360	402	390
Median length of restriction served among review eligible people (days)	347	350	326

² This chart includes the reasons for both determinate restrictions (e.g. 180 days) and duration restrictions. Chart I(c), below, analyzes duration restrictions as a subset of this group.

³ If an inmate has been restricted to non-contact visits for a period greater than six months, he should receive periodic review of such restriction. The review shall be conducted not less than once every six months. DOC Teletype Order No. HQ-02613-0, http://www.nyc.gov/html/doc/downloads/pdf/2007R-B_Inmate_Visit_Procedures_11_15.pdf#page=46. In November 2016, the Department began providing the Board with a copy of each six-month row conducted.

e. Inmate Non-Contact Restrictions Administered in October 2017

Reason	Duration of	New	Notices
	Restriction	Restrictions	Received
			by BOC
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon or Slashing)	duration	21	19
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	180 days	14	13
TOTAL		35	32

II. Restrictions on Visitors Administered in October 2017

Visitor Restrictions

Reason	Prescribed Limitation	Restrictions	Notices Received
Arrest	INDEFINITE	3	3
Arrest	180	3	3
Arrest	365	10	10
Contraband	180	8	8
Contraband	365	8	8
Unruly	180	2	2
Unruly	90	2	2
TOTAL		36	36

One-Day Visitor Denials

Reason	Denials
Inappropriate Attire	73
Security Reason	55
Refuse to Obey D.O.C. Rules and Regulations	44
Failed Ion Scan	42
K-9 Alert	22
Other	11
Non-Contact (Booth)	4
Disrespect Staff	2
TOTAL	253

One-Day Visitor Cancellations

Reason	Cancellations
Inmate Refused Visit	80
Lockdown	63
Visitor refused to wait	57
Transfer	40
Inmate Fight – Pending Investigation	15
Package Only	5
Hospital/Clinic - Medical	3
Out to Court	2
TOTAL	265

III. Restrictions on Visitors Administered in October 2017 (By Facility)

								% of	
								Visits	
				% of				Resulting	Average
				Visits		One-Day	Visitor	in	Daily
			Visitor	Resulting	One-Day	Cancellat	Restricti	Restricti	Populati
Facility ⁴	Visits	Visitors	Arrests	in Arrest	Denials	ions	ons	ons	on (ADP)
AMKC	2484	3192	3	0.12%	24	13	10	0.40%	1,990
BHPW	100	151	0	0.00%	0	1	0	0.00%	45
BKHD	1604	2163	0	0.00%	6	24	0	0.00%	589
EHPW	5	8	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	4
EMTC	1519	2059	1	0.07%	14	2	3	0.20%	1,257
GMDC	1221	1701	0	0.00%	15	6	0	0.00%	583
GRVC	1416	1824	0	0.00%	25	56	1	0.07%	672
MDC	1514	2247	2	0.13%	24	73	8	0.53%	699
NIC	245	349	0	0.00%	5	2	0	0.00%	226
OBCC	1918	2685	6	0.31%	33	30	6	0.31%	952
RMSC	886	1132	0	0.00%	48	15	1	0.11%	603
RNDC	786	1170	1	0.13%	40	6	0	0.00%	681
VCBC	1967	2787	3	0.15%	17	36	6	0.31%	819
WEST	85	101	0	0.00%	1	0	0	0.00%	50
TOTAL	15,750	21,569	16	0.10%	252	264	35	0.22%	9,170

⁴ Information on DOC facilities is available at https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doc/about/facilities.page

IV. BOC Visit Appeals and Complaints Received in October 2017 (By Facility)

a. Visit Restriction Appeals Received by BOC

			Avg. Business Days to
Category	Decision	Appeals	Resolve ⁵
Contraband - Drug	Denied	1	7
Contraband - Weapon	Denied	6	14.2
Contraband - Weapon	Resolved Prior to Decision	2	6
Contraband - Unknown	Denied	1	7
Contraband - Unknown	Granted	1	7
Contraband - Unknown	Resolved Prior to Decision	1	5
Contraband - Other	Penalty Corrected	2	18.5
Disrespect/Aggression	Denied	2	9.5
Slashing/Stabbing	Denied	2	7
Slashing/Stabbing	Granted	4	11.3
Other	Resolved Prior to Decision	1	8
	Denied	12	11
	Granted	5	10.4
	Penalty Corrected	2	18.5
	Resolved Prior to Decision	4	6.3
	TOTAL	23	10.7

⁵ BOC Minimum Standard 1-09(i) requires the Board issues a written decision within five business days after receiving an appeal. When good cause to extend the time period exists, the Board may issue a single extension not to exceed ten business days.

Facility	Visit Appeals
AMKC	4
BHPW	
BKDC	
EHPW	
EMTC	1
GMDC	
GRVC	7
MDC	6
NIC	
OBCC	5
RMSC	
RNDC	
SOD	1
VCBC	2
WEST	
TOTAL	26

b. Visit-Related Complaints Received by BOC (Non-Appeals)⁶

Facility	Visit Complaints
AMKC	
BHPW	
BKDC	
EHPW	
EMTC	
GMDC	1
GRVC	1
MDC	1
NIC	
OBCC	1
RMSC	
RNDC	
SOD	
VCBC	1
WEST	
TOTAL	5

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⁶ This chart includes the reasons for both determinate restrictions (e.g. 180 days) and duration restrictions. Chart I(c), below, analyzes duration restrictions as a subset of this group.