



Board of Correction

Monthly Review:

Visit Restrictions March 2017

	March 2017
Total Number of Visitors	21,733
Total Number of Visits	16,354
Visits Per Inmate Per Month	1.75
Number of Visit Days	23

I. Restrictions on Inmates

a. Inmates with Non-Contact Restrictions

	September 2016 ¹	February 2017	March 2017
Number of people on non-contact list	279	276	269
Number of people with duration restrictions (% of all people with restrictions)	180 (65%)	182 (66%)	181 (67%)
Average length of restriction among non-duration restrictions (days)	184	188	186
Average length of restriction served among duration restrictions (days)	176	193	195
Median length of restriction served among duration restrictions (days)	138	137	150
Number of restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit nexus (% of all non-contact restrictions)	131 (47%)	115 (42%)	110 (41%)
Number of duration restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit nexus (% of all non-contact duration restrictions)	36 (20%)	27 (15%)	26 (14%)

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 September 23, 2016 (six months back), February 23, 2017 (one month back), and March 23, 2017. The date of analysis for December was moved due to availability of DOC data.

b. Reasons for Non-Contact Restrictions²

	Number of Restrictions (% of Non-Contact Restrictions)		
	September 2016	February 2017	March 2017
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	70 (25%)	64 (23%)	66 (25%)
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing and Weapon)	102 (37%)	119 (43%)	115 (43%)
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	90 (32%)	76 (28%)	73 (27%)
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other types of contraband)	17 (6%)	17 (6%)	15 (6%)

c. Reasons for Non-Contact Duration Restrictions

	Number of Restrictions (% of Non-Contact Duration Restrictions)		
	September 2016	February 2017	March 2017
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	70 (39%)	63 (35%)	65 (36%)
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing and Weapon)	101 (56%)	118 (65%)	115 (64%)
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	2 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other types of contraband)	7 (4%)	1 (1%)	1 (1%)

d. Six-Month Reviews of Duration Non-Contact Restrictions³

	September 2016	February 2017	March 2017
Number of people with non-contact duration restrictions who have served six months or more on the non-contact list ("review eligible people")	73	73	72
Number of review eligible people who received an appeal in the previous six months (% of review eligible people)	x	49 (67%)	45 (63%)
Number of six-month reviews conducted this month and received by the Board	1	25	4
Number of six-month reviews which resulted in amended restriction	0	0	0
Average length of restriction served among review eligible people (days)	330	356	368
Median length of restriction served among review eligible people (days)	314	342	356

² This chart includes the reasons for both determinate restrictions (ie 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 March 2017

Reason	Duration of Restriction	New Restrictions	Notices Received by BOC
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon or Slashing)*	Duration	24	13
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	180 days	17	17
Other	180 days	1	1
TOTAL		42	31

II. Restrictions on Visitors Administered in March 2017

Reason	Prescribed Limitation	Restrictions	Notices Received
Arrest	180	4	4
	365	31	29
Contraband	180	7	7
	365	5	4
Unruly	90	2	2
	180	5	5
TOTAL		54	51

One-Day Visitor Denials

Reason	Denials
Failed Ion Scan	110
K-9 Alert	126
Security Reason	80
Inappropriate Attire	76
Refuse to Obey D.O.C. Rules and Regulations	60
Non-Contact (Booth)	20
Other	4
TOTAL	476

One-Day Visitor Cancellations

Reason	Cancellations
Inmate Refused Visit	82
Visitor refused to wait	55
Lockdown	29
Transfer	25
Inmate Fight – Pending Investigation	25
Hospital/Clinic - Medical	21
Package Only	4
Other	2
TOTAL	244

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

Facility ⁴	Visits	Visitors	Visitor Arrests	% of Visits Resulting in Arrest	One-Day Denials	One-Day Cancellations	Visitor Restrictions	% of Visits Resulting in Restrictions	Average Daily Population (ADP)
AMKC	2,818	3,445	3	0.11%	51	14	13	0.46%	2,056
BHPW	112	158	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	62
BKDC	1,063	1,427	4	0.38%	19	28	7	0.66%	568
EHPW	27	36	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	9
EMTC	1,503	1,998	3	0.20%	26	6	3	0.20%	1,218
GMDC	1,305	1,892	0	0.00%	40	17	4	0.31%	591
GRVC	1,566	1,884	6	0.38%	54	29	8	0.51%	665
MDC	1,723	2,348	1	0.06%	55	52	1	0.06%	780
NIC	152	204	0	0.00%	4	1	0	0.00%	111
OBCC	2,229	3,123	4	0.18%	81	74	10	0.45%	1,125
RMSC	931	1,153	1	0.11%	90	10	4	0.43%	599
RNDC	856	1,118	0	0.00%	46	4	0	0.00%	721
VCBC	1,905	2,790	1	0.05%	6	9	3	0.16%	799
WEST	164	157	0	0.00%	4	0	1	0.61%	47
TOTAL	16,354	21,733	23	0.14%	476	244	54	0.33%	9,351

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 March 2017

a. Visit Restriction Appeals Received by BOC

Category	Decision	Appeals	Avg. Business Days to Resolve ⁵
Contraband Weapon	Granted	1	10
Contraband – Other	Penalty Modified	1	5
	Moot	1	
Disrespect/Aggression	Denied	1	6
	Penalty Corrected	2	12.5
	Penalty Modified	1	35
Slashing/Stabbing	Granted	2	17
TOTAL	Denied	1	6
	Granted	3	14.7
	Penalty Corrected	2	12.5
	Penalty Modified	2	20
	Moot	1	
	TOTAL	9	14.4

Facility	Visit Appeals
AMKC	2
BHPW	
BKDC	1
EHPW	
EMTC	
GMDC	
GRVC	1
MDC	2
NIC	
OBCC	1
RMSC	1
RNDC	
VCBC	
WEST	
Trans	1
TOTAL	9

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

Facility	Visit Complaints
AMKC	
BHPW	
BKDC	
EHPW	
EMTC	
GMDC	
GRVC	2
MDC	
NIC	
OBCC	
RMSC	
RNDC	
VCBC	
WEST	1
TOTAL	3

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.

⁶ Examples of visit-related complaints include improper searches, harassment by staff, and long wait times.