City of New York Board of Correction

Monthly Review: Visit Restrictions July 2017

Visit Summary

	July 2017
Total Number of Visitors	22,774
Total Number of Visits	16,365
Visits Per Inmate Per Month	1.79
Visit Days	22

I. Restrictions on Inmates

a. Inmates with Non-Contact Restrictions

	January		
	2017 ¹	June 2017	July 2017
Number of People on non-contact list	278	243	276
Number of people with duration restrictions (% of all people with	190 (68%)	172 (71%)	208 (75%)
restrictions)			
Average length of restriction among non-duration restrictions (days)	184	191	191
Average length of restriction served among duration restrictions	186	190	175
(days)			
Median length of restriction served among duration restrictions	134	123	103
(days)			
Number of restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit	114 (41%)	90 (37%)	91 (33%)
nexus (% of all non-contact restrictions)			
Number of duration restrictions on the non-contact list which have a	28 (15%)	25 (15%)	27 (13%)
visit nexus (% of all non-contact duration restrictions)			

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

b. Reasons for Non-Contact Restrictions²

	Number o	f Restrictions	(% of Non-
	Contact Restrictions)		
	January	June	
	2017	2017	July 2017
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing)	116 (42%)	97 (40%)	122 (44%)
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	69 (25%)	74 (30%)	86 (31%)
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	78 (28%)	61 (25%)	63 (23%)
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other types of contraband)	15 (5%)	11 (5%)	5 (2%)

c. Reasons for Non-Contact Duration Restrictions

	Number of Restrictions (% of Non Contact Restrictions)		
	January 2017	June 2017	July 2017
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing)	115 (61%)	97 (56%)	121 (58%)
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	68 (36%)	74 (43%)	86 (41%)
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	1 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other types of contraband)	6 (3%)	1 (1%)	1 (0%)

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.

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

	January 2017	June 2017	July 2017
Number of people with non-contact restrictions who	76	73	74
have served six months or more on the non-contact list			
("review eligible people")			
Number of review eligible people who received an	39 (51.32 %)	64 (87.67 %)	64 (86.49 %)
appeal in the previous six months (% of review eligible			
people)			
Number of six-month reviews received by the Board	1	15	5
Number of six-month reviews which resulted in	0	0	1
amended restriction			
Average length of restriction served among review	346	368	382
eligible people (days)			
Median length of restriction served among review	327	322	318
eligible people (days)			

e. Inmate Non-Contact Restrictions Administered in July 2017

Reason	Duration	New	Notices
	of	Restriction	Received
	Restriction	S	by BOC
Assault on Staff	365 days	2	2
Dangerous Contraband	duration	1	1
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon or Slashing)	duartion	1	1
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon or Slashing)	duration	35	19
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	180 days	19	18
Other Contraband	180 days	1	1
TOTAL		59	42

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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.

II. Restrictions on Visitors Administered in July 2017

Visitor Restrictions

Reason	Prescribed Limitation	Restrictions	Notices Received
Arrest		1	1
Arrest	137	1	1
Arrest	180	4	4
Arrest	365	21	21
Contraband	180	4	4
Contraband	365	2	2
Unruly	365	2	2
TOTAL		35	35

One-Day Visitor Denials

Reason	Denials
Failed Ion Scan	87
Security Reason	77
Inappropriate Attire	76
K-9 Alert	50
Refuse to Obey D.O.C. Rules and Regulations	46
Disrespect Staff	4
Non-Contact (Booth)	2
Inmate/Visitor in possession of contraband	1
TOTAL	343

One-Day Visitor Cancellations

Reason	Cancellations
Inmate Refused Visit	57
Lockdown	45
Visitor refused to wait	26
Other	16
Transfer	16
Inmate Fight – Pending Investigation	4
Wrong Inmate	3
Hospital/Clinic - Medical	1
TOTAL	168

III. Restrictions on Visitors Administered in July 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	2491	3081	5	0.20%	42	7	9	0.36%	1,966
BHPW	139	230	0	0.00%	0	2	0	0.00%	60
BKHD	1125	1626	1	0.09%	10	21	4	0.36%	470
EHPW	14	17	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	5
EMTC	1666	2270	0	0.00%	16	7	1	0.06%	1,318
GMDC	1243	1755	0	0.00%	35	2	2	0.16%	556
GRVC	1865	2484	3	0.16%	75	27	7	0.38%	693
MDC	1863	2725	4	0.21%	26	36	4	0.21%	682
NIC	112	136	0	0.00%	6	0	0	0.00%	107
OBCC	2172	3076	2	0.09%	37	13	5	0.23%	1,067
RMSC	848	1108	0	0.00%	65	6	1	0.12%	615
RNDC	790	1110	0	0.00%	22	6	0	0.00%	737
VCBC	1928	3054	2	0.10%	4	39	2	0.10%	820
WEST	109	102	1	0.92%	5	2	0	0.00%	52
TOTAL	16,365	22,774	18	0.11%	343	168	35	0.21%	9,148

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 July 2017 (By Facility)

a. Visit Restriction Appeals Received by BOC

Category	Decision	Appeals	Avg. Business Days to Resolve ⁵
Assault of Staff	Granted	1	10
Assault of Inmate	Denied	1	12
Assault of Inmate	Penalty Corrected	1	12
Assault of Visitor	Denied	1	8
Contraband - Drug	Granted	1	27
Contraband - Weapon	Denied	2	9.5
Contraband - Weapon	Granted	2	6
Contraband - Unknown	Pending	1	
Disrespect/Aggression	Denied	1	9
Disrespect/Aggression	Moot	2	
Slashing/Stabbing	Denied	2	10.5
Slashing/Stabbing	Granted	1	13
Unknown	Granted	1	15
	Denied	7	9.9
	Granted	6	12.8
	Moot	2	
	Penalty Corrected	1	12
	Pending	1	
	TOTAL	17	11.3

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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	10
BHPW	
BKDC	1
EHPW	
EMTC	
GMDC	
GRVC	1
MDC	1
NIC	
OBCC	1
RMSC	
RNDC	
SOD	2
VCBC	
WEST	
TOTAL	16

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

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

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