

 <p>ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS</p> <p>DEPARTMENT ORDER MANUAL</p>	<p>CHAPTER: 700 OPERATIONAL SECURITY</p>	<p>OPR: OPS PS SS</p>
	<p>DEPARTMENT ORDER: 707 <i>INMATE ESCAPE PREVENTION/RESPONSE</i></p>	<p>SUPERSEDES: DO 707, 09/01/96 DI 197, 07/15/02</p>
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## PURPOSE

This Department Order establishes procedures for escape prevention and responses to escapes, to include staff and law enforcement notification, investigation procedures, chase procedures, and filing of appropriate charges.

## PROCEDURES

### 707.01 DISCIPLINARY CHARGES

- 1.1 Disciplinary Charges - The Department, through its Wardens, Deputy Wardens or Administrators shall ensure that appropriate disciplinary charges are filed against an inmate who escapes, in accordance with the Department Inmate Discipline System.
- 1.2 Forfeit of Earnings and Personal Property - Upon verification that an escape has occurred:
  - 1.2.1 Escaped inmate's earnings and funds shall be forfeited and accounts placed on hold, as outlined in Department Order #905, Inmate Banking/Money System.
  - 1.2.2 Personal property shall be considered abandoned by the inmate. Staff shall seize all property and forward it to the Contraband Control Officer to be held for appropriate disposition in accordance with Department Order #803, Inmate Disciplinary System, and Department Order #909, Inmate Property.
- 1.3 Escape Apprehension Costs - Inmates who have escaped shall reimburse the Department for all costs associated with their pursuit and/or capture. Inmates attempting to escape are also subject to confiscation of all personal property including funds/assessed full cost of preventing escape, as outlined in Department Order #905, Inmate Banking/Money System, and the Inmate Banking/Money Technical Manual.

### 707.02 ESCAPE PREVENTION – RESTRICTED

### 707.03 ESCAPE RESPONSE - RESTRICTED

### 707.04 FUGITIVE APPREHENSION UNIT- RESTRICTED

### 707.05 APPREHENSIONS – RESTRICTED

### 707.06 ESCAPE INVESTIGATION AND REVIEW – RESTRICTED

## IMPLEMENTATION

Within 90 days of the effective date of this Department Order, Wardens shall, where appropriate, supplement this Department Order by updating and maintaining Institution Orders and Post Orders that address at a minimum:

- Institution and unit escape response.
- Staff responsibilities.
- Reporting cost data, as required.

Within 90 days of the effective date of this Department Order, the Contract Beds Operations Director shall ensure contract prisons are in contractual compliance regarding inmate escapes.

## DEFINITIONS

**APPREHENSION COSTS** - All expenses of pursuit, investigation, publication and travel incurred by the Department in connection with an escape, including the cost of staff time, materials and vehicle operation.

**ESCAPE** - An inmate's unauthorized absence, departure from custody, from a correctional institution or release center without permission, from a secure work/transportation detail or failure to return following a temporary leave granted for a specific purpose.

**ESCAPE REVIEW COMMITTEE** - Staff who is assigned by the Division Director for Offender Operations to review investigations of escapes. The committee is comprised of:

- The Security Operations Administrator, who shall be the chairperson.
- The Warden or Administrator of the institution where the escape occurred.
- An investigator from the Inspector General's Office.
- A representative of Staff Development and Training.

**ESCROW ACCOUNT** - An inmate's trust account in which reserve funds are held pursuant to A.R.S. 31-261 and 31-323.

**SECURE CUSTODY** - For the purposes of this Department Order, the area within a secure (locked) perimeter or designated boundary of a facility. Community Release Center inmates and releasees are not considered to be in secure custody.

**SECURE WORK/TRANSPORTATION DETAIL** - For the purposes of this Department Order, a supervised work crew, e.g., a "gun crew" or one or more inmates being transported by staff.

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## AUTHORITY

A.R.S. 13-2501, Definitions; escapes

A.R.S. 13-2502, Escape in the Third Degree; Classification

A.R.S. 13-2503, Escape in the Second Degree; Classification

A.R.S. 31-254, Compensation for Labor Performed; Price of Prison-Made Articles; Distribution of Earnings; Worker's Compensation

A.R.S. 31-342, Escape; Liability for Costs Incurred in Apprehension

A.R.S. 41-1602, Purpose of the Department of Corrections