

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

**Facility Name:** Hopkins County Jail

**Date:**

September 20, 2016

Item	Section	Paragraph	Comments
1	285	.1	<p>Each facility shall have and implement a written plan, approved by the Commission, for inmate physical exercise and physical recreation. Documentation of physical exercise and physical recreation shall be maintained for Commission review. Each inmate shall be allowed one hour of supervised physical exercise or physical recreation at least three days per week.</p> <p><b>During the review of the recreation documentation, this inspector observed that the documentation did not reflect that inmates were offered the chance to go to recreation for 1 hour, 3 days per week as required by minimum jail standards. Further, interview of staff revealed that inmates were not provided the opportunity to recreate as required by minimum jail standards which was reflected in the documentation.</b></p>
2	263	.41	<p>Training of staff for emergency situations shall be provided immediately upon employment and no less than each calendar quarter for all jail personnel to include fire, emergency, evacuation drills, and location and use of equipment.</p> <p><b>During the review of the life safety documentation, this inspector established that all jailers did not receive life safety training upon employment and quarterly thereafter as required by minimum jail standards.</b></p>
3	283	.1(3)(C)	<p>Provisions shall be made for at least twenty-four hours written notice to be given to the inmate of the claimed violation or charges against him/her.</p> <p><b>The facility administration did not observe the 24 our period as required by minimum jail standards. The administration understood that the notice took place from the date of the incident report and not from the date and time the inmate signs his or her notice of disciplinary.</b></p>



**TCJS Inspector**