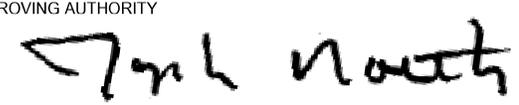


 <p><b>NEW YORK STATE</b> <b>Corrections and Community Supervision</b></p> <p><b>DIRECTIVE</b></p>	TITLE		NO. 4921
	<b>Incarcerated Individual Television Sets</b>		DATE 05/16/2022
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REFERENCES (Include but are not limited to) Directives #4913 and #4920	APPROVING AUTHORITY 		

- I. PURPOSE:** This directive governs the acquisition, use, and disposition of incarcerated individual television sets.
- II. POLICY:** Incarcerated individuals may own and use personal television sets at facilities which have been approved for such use by the Commissioner.

This directive governs the following facilities:

Attica CF	Five Points CF	Shawangunk CF
Clinton CF	Wende CF	Sing Sing CF
Elmira CF	Great Meadow CF	Upstate GP

**III. PROCEDURE**

**A. Purchase**

1. Television sets, with accompanying earphones, must be purchased through the facility Commissary.
2. The make, model, and screen size will be determined by the Department to ensure standardization.
3. Each television set shall be engraved with the incarcerated individual's name and Department Identification Number (DIN) prior to being issued from the Commissary.
4. Purchase of a television set will be considered a special commissary buy requiring the incarcerated individual to fill out Form #IAS-2752, "Special Commissary Purchase Request."
5. The purchase of a television set will not be counted against an incarcerated individual's bi-weekly Commissary limit.
6. Currently possessed and legitimately obtained TV's will continue to be approved. Incarcerated individuals who wish to obtain a new unit will be permitted to dispose of their current TV in accordance with the following options:
  - a. Send it home at their expense; or
  - b. Donate it to charity; or
  - c. Approve that it be destroyed.

NOTE: Incarcerated individuals will not be permitted to transfer ownership of a used TV to another incarcerated individual for as long as they remain at the facility.

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**B. Disposition Upon Transfer or Discharge**

1. Shipping or mailing will be at the incarcerated individual's expense. The facility will provide a suitable packing box.
2. When an incarcerated individual is being transferred to a facility where personally owned television sets are allowed, the television set will not be included in the incarcerated individual's personal property but will be mailed or shipped separately at the incarcerated individual's expense.
3. When an incarcerated individual is being discharged or transferred to a facility where personally owned television sets are not allowed, the incarcerated individual shall choose one of the following disposal options:
  - a. Transfer ownership to another incarcerated individual with the approval of the Superintendent;
  - b. Send it home (or carry it home if being discharged);
  - c. Donate it to charity; or
  - d. Authorize its destruction.
4. Whenever an incarcerated individual seeks to transfer ownership, send home, donate, or destroy their television set, [Form #2068](#), "Authorization for Disposal of Personal Property," shall be used in accordance with Directive #4913, "Incarcerated Individual Property." Refer to Directive #4920, "Incarcerated Individual Audio Units," for similar procedures.

**C. Rules for Possession and Use**

1. Incarcerated individuals who own and use personal television sets shall abide by the rules set forth in [Form #4921A](#), "Incarcerated Individual Rules for Possession/Use of a Personally Owned Television Set."
2. The facility shall provide a copy of the incarcerated individual rules to each incarcerated individual who purchases a television set. The Commissary employee shall fill in the make, model, and serial number, and the incarcerated individual shall sign the copy to confirm that they are familiar with the rules and agrees to abide by them. The original shall be filed in the incarcerated individual's package room folder, and a copy retained by the incarcerated individual.

**D. Repair: Television sets in need of repair will be sent out of the facility. All service charges will be borne by the incarcerated individual.**

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION

**INCARCERATED INDIVIDUAL RULES FOR POSSESSION/USE OF A PERSONALLY OWNED TELEVISION SET**

1. An incarcerated individual may not own more than one television.
2. The television set is for use in the incarcerated individual's cell, room, or in dormitory bed space only.
3. Television sets may not be altered in any way.
4. The earphone must be used.
5. Television sets that appear to have been tampered with or altered will be removed and inspected by facility personnel.
6. Television sets in need of repair must be repaired by a facility-approved repair shop. Costs will be charged to the incarcerated individual.
7. Violation of any of the above rules will result in loss of the television privileges for a specified period of time, permanent loss of television, and/or the loss of other privileges (e.g., commissary, recreation, etc.) based upon the findings of an appropriate disciplinary proceeding.
8. Incarcerated individuals may not loan, sell, give away, or transfer ownership of their television sets to another incarcerated individual for as long as they remain at the facility, without proper authorization.
9. Incarcerated individuals being discharged or transferred to a facility where personally owned television sets are not allowed may:
  - a. With the Superintendent's approval, transfer ownership of the television set to another incarcerated individual; or
  - b. Send it home (or carry it home if being discharged); or
  - c. Donate it to charity; or
  - d. Authorize its destruction.
10. Shipping or mailing will be at the incarcerated individual's expense. The facility will provide a suitable packing box.
11. Following written approval of the Superintendent, transfer of the television set to another incarcerated individual shall be handled through the commissary so that it may be re-engraved and proper records maintained.
12. By purchasing the television set described below:

Make of television set \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

Model Number \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to follow the above guidelines.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Incarcerated Individual Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
DIN

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Original** - file in incarcerated individual's Package Room folder  
**Copy** - to incarcerated individual

