

Drugs, Cellphone Recovered in Mail Packages at Marcy Correctional Facility

Contraband Continues to be a Problem at State Prisons

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Marcy, **NY** - Officers at Marcy Correctional Facility recovered a cellphone, synthetic marijuana and Suboxone in packages mailed to inmates at the medium security correctional facility.

On Wednesday, October 28, an officer discovered 10 orange strips hidden in the bottom of two packs of cigarettes. The drugs tested positive for Suboxone. The cigarettes were mailed from Staten Island.

On Saturday, November 7, an officer recovered 25 grams of synthetic marijuana, commonly known as K2, in a pouch of tobacco. The drugs were mailed in a package from Syracuse.

On Saturday, November 14, an officer found a cellphone lodged between two packages of meat mailed to an inmate from Rochester.

On Monday, November 23, an officer processing packages noticed the lid of a can of fruit had been altered. The officer found 240 strips of Suboxone hidden inside the fruit can. It was mailed from Jackson Heights, NY.

On Monday, November 30, an officer recovered a green leafy substance inside of cigars mailed to an inmate. The drugs, which weighed 11.4 grams, tested positive for K2. It was mailed from Albany.

On Monday, December 7, an officer located 98 strips of Suboxone inside a package of soap and towels. The drugs were hidden inside the end seam of one of the towels. They were mailed from Rochester.

All contraband was seized as evidence and the investigations are on-going.

"Until DOCCS installs the Secure Vendor Program in all state prisons, drugs and other contraband will continue to come into the facilities at alarming rates. The fact that a cellphone was recovered is a clear safety issue and certainly can raise escape questions. Seven cellphones were recovered inside Greene Correctional Facility in November so inmates obviously are finding ways of getting them inside undetected." - stated Bryan Hluska, NYSCOPBA Central Region Vice President.