
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Detention Centre Rules 2001

PART V

PERSONS HAVING ACCESS TO DETENTION CENTRES

Authorisation for access

53. No person shall have access to a detention centre unless authorised by statute or the manager or the Secretary of State.

Prohibited articles

54.—(1) No person shall, without authority, convey into or throw into or deposit in a detention centre, or convey or throw out of a detention centre, or convey to a detained person, or deposit in any place with intent that it shall come into the possession of a detained person, any money, clothing, food, drink, tobacco, letter, paper, book, tool or other article whatever.

(2) Anything so conveyed, thrown or deposited may be confiscated by the manager.

Control of persons and vehicles

55.—(1) Any person or vehicle entering a detention centre may be stopped, examined and searched.

(2) Any search of a person under paragraph (1) shall be carried out in as seemly a manner as is consistent with discovering anything concealed.

(3) The manager may direct the removal from a detention centre of any person who does not leave on being required to do so.

Viewing of detention centres

56. No outside person shall be permitted to view inside a detention centre unless authorised to do so by statute or the Secretary of State.

Visitors

57.—(1) Without prejudice to any other powers to prohibit or restrict entry to detention centres, and to his powers under rule 28, the Secretary of State may, with a view to ensuring safety and security or the prevention of crime or in the interests of any persons, impose prohibitions on visits by a person to a detention centre or to a detained person in a detention centre for such periods of time as he considers necessary.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply in relation to any visits to a detention centre or detained person by a member of the visiting committee of the detention centre, or to prevent any visit by a legal adviser for the purposes of an interview under rule 30.